



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**
2 **ON TUESDAY JANUARY 28, 2014, ON PAGE 133]**

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. I ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE
7 RISE. THIS MORNING WE WILL BE LED IN THE INVOCATION BY THE
8 REVEREND DR. NORMAN S. JOHNSON, MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
9 FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, LED BY BLAS VILLALOBOS,
10 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMS AND VETERANS SERVICES. DR.
11 JOHNSON?

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13 **REV. NORMAN JOHNSON:** SHALL WE PRAY? ETERNAL SPIRIT, WE GIVE
14 THANKS FOR IN DAY IN THIS PLACE. THIS VERY SPECIAL PLACE WHERE
15 THE VARIOUS COMMUNITIES AND NEEDS ACROSS THIS SPRAWLING
16 COUNTY, THE INTERSECTION WHERE IT MEETS. WE PRAY FOR THIS DAY
17 AND FOR THESE LEGISLATORS WHO CARRY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF GOOD
18 GOVERNMENT, GRANT THEM WISDOM. GRANT THEM INSIGHT, AND MAY
19 TODAY ADVANCE OUR COLLECTIVE LIFE WITH THE BALANCING OF NEEDS
20 AND CONCERNS. LEGITIMATE NEEDS, LEGITIMATE CONCERNS MUST TAKE
21 PLACE. WE PRAY THAT EVEN ON THE MARGINS, THOSE WHO ARE OFTEN
22 LEFT OUT, NOT REMEMBERED, NOT CARED FOR, MIGHT BE A PART OF
23 TODAY'S MEETING. WE GIVE THANKS FOR GOOD GOVERNMENT AND FOR
24 THESE WHO ARE CALLED TO LEAD. GRANT US A BETTER LOS ANGELES, A
25 BETTER COLLECTIVE LIFE, AND WE OFFER THIS PRAYER IN

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1 REMEMBRANCE OF ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED AND FOR THOSE WHO
2 WILL COME. AMEN.

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4 **BLAS VILLALOBOS:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND
5 OVER YOUR HEART. VETERANS IN THE ROOM, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO
6 SALUTE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO WELCOME BLAS
11 VILLALOBOS WHO SERVES PRESENTLY AS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY
12 PROGRAMS FOR THE UNITED STATES VETERANS INITIATIVE. MR.
13 VILLALOBOS SERVED AS A SERGEANT WITH THE UNITED STATES MARINE
14 CORPS FROM 1999 TO 2003. HE SAW BATTLE IN IRAQ. HE WAS AWARDED
15 A COMBAT ACTION RIBBON FOR HIS HONORABLE SERVICE. SO WE WANT
16 TO EXTEND OUR GRATITUDE FOR YOUR PATRIOTISM AND CERTAINLY
17 THANK YOU FOR DEFENDING OUR COUNTRY. CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK
18 YOU FOR JOINING US THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WAIT JUST A MINUTE FOR SUPERVISOR
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, WE WISH TO
24 THANK THE REVEREND DR. NORMAN STANLEY JOHNSON FOR BEING THIS
25 MORNING'S INVOCATOR AND WE THANK HIM BECAUSE HE HAS SERVED AS

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1 THE PASTOR OF THE FIRST NEW CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP MISSIONARY
2 BAPTIST CHURCH SINCE 1988. HE'S NO STRANGER TO THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS. YOU WILL WANT TO KNOW HIS BACKGROUND, HAVING
4 SERVED AS PASTOR OF THE GALILEE BAPTIST CHURCH AND THE GREATER
5 FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH, BOTH HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
6 THE REVEREND DR. NORMAN JOHNSON GRADUATED FROM BISHOP COLLEGE
7 IN TEXAS WITH A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN RELIGION AND
8 PHILOSOPHY. HE HOLDS A MASTER'S AND DOCTORATE OF DIVINITY
9 DEGREES FROM THE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AT CLAREMONT, AND HE'S
10 THREE-TIME RECIPIENT OF THE BENJAMIN E. MAYS FELLOWSHIP AWARD,
11 A NATIONAL PROGRAM-SPONSORED FUND PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR
12 PROMISING AFRICAN-AMERICAN LEADERS IN THE CHURCH. DR. JOHNSON
13 WAS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN
14 LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AND SERVED WITH THE ORGANIZATION FOR
15 SOME 23 YEARS FROM 1981 TO 2004. HE WAS A KEYNOTE SPEAKER FOR
16 THE M.L.K. COMMEMORATION SERVICE SPONSORED BY THAT
17 ORGANIZATION AND IN MANY WAYS HAS DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF AS
18 HAVING TRAVELED BROADLY FROM ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, KOREA AND
19 SOUTH AFRICA. HE'S MARRIED TO LORETTA JOHNSON AND IS THE
20 FATHER OF FOUR CHILDREN, ONE OF WHOM IS DECEASED. AND YOU
21 SHOULD KNOW THAT HE DISTINGUISHES HIMSELF AS ONE OF THE MOST
22 CAPABLE HOMILETICISTS IN OUR REGION. AND WE THANK HIM FOR
23 BEING HERE THIS MORNING TO DELIVER THE INVOCATION. SO, PASTOR
24 JOHNSON, IT'S ON BEHALF OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS THAT WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SAY THANK YOU FOR

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1 YOUR SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND

2 INDEED THANK YOU FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER,

5 PLEASE READ THE AGENDA.

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7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS

8 OF THE BOARD. BEFORE WE GET STARTED WITH THE AGENDA, THE

9 FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN A SPECIAL CLOSED

10 SESSION THIS MORNING, JANUARY 28, 2014. ON ITEM NO. C.S.-1, NO

11 REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NOW ON TO THE AGENDA, GOOD

16 MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN

17 TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE

18 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON ITEM NO. 1-P,

19 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS

20 ITEM. ALSO, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM NO.

21 1-D, WHICH IS UNDER THE AGENDA FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

22 COMMISSION, ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS

23 THAT THE ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 4, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1

24 THROUGH 3--

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE IS ALSO A REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE,
2 IS THERE NOT?

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4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO, AT THIS TIME IT IS ONLY BEING
5 HELD.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 4, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS
10 1 THROUGH 3, WE WILL HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, ON PAGE 6,
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 4 THROUGH 10. ON ITEM NO. 7,
12 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
13 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 8, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
15 TO FEBRUARY 25, 2014. ON ITEM NO. 9, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
16 VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM AND ALSO SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
17 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 4,
18 2014. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE
19 BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
22 RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
23 ORDERED.

24

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR,
2 ITEMS 11 THROUGH 17, ON ITEM NO. 11, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
3 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 12,
4 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
5 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 13, THIS INCLUDES THE
6 REVISIONS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND ALSO
7 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
8 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 14, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS
9 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 4.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 15, THERE'S A REQUEST
14 FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 16,
15 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
16 THIS ITEM.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT
21 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
24 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SO BE THE
25 ORDER.

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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 17, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM
3 NO. 18 WE WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 18,
4 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
5 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING. ON ITEM NO. 19-A,
6 THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 19-A, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
9 THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** 19-B.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
14 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 19-C, SUPERVISOR
17 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM
18 BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 19-D, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ALSO
19 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. 19-E IS BEFORE YOU.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
22 THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND ON PAGE 21, NOTICES OF CLOSED
25 SESSION, ON ITEM NO. C.S.-1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER

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1 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THAT COMPLETES THE
2 READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS
3 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY
6 PRESENTATIONS? IT'S A MONTHLY STARS SCROLL PRESENTATION AND
7 IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE TO EVERYONE THE MARINA DEL REY
8 MAINTENANCE DREDGING TEAM WHICH IS OUR JANUARY 2014 L.A.
9 COUNTY STARS RECIPIENT IN THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE
10 AND ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. THE MARINA DREDGING TEAM IS
11 COMPOSED OF FIVE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, BEACHES AND HARBORS, THE
12 SHERIFF, FIRE DEPARTMENT, COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE C.E.O.
13 THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF THE MARINA DREDGING TEAM, CLOSE TO
14 800,000 CUBIC YARDS OF MATERIAL WERE REMOVED FROM THE MARINA'S
15 HARBOR ENTRANCE. AND OF THESE, 500,000 CUBIC YARDS OF MATERIAL
16 WAS TAKEN TO THE PORT OF LONG BEACH AND USED AS INFILL FOR
17 THEIR MIDDLE HARBOR PROJECT. THE REMAINING 300,000 CUBIC YARDS
18 OF CLEAN MATERIAL WERE USED AS A BENEFICIAL REUSE TO NOURISH
19 DOCKWEILER STATE BEACH AS WELL AS REDONDO BEACH. THE COUNTY
20 HAS BENEFITED FROM THIS PROJECT IN NUMEROUS WAYS. FIRST OF
21 ALL, THE ENTRANCE CHANNEL WAS DREDGED TO ITS-- FINALLY DREDGED
22 TO ITS DESIGN DEPTH WHICH ALLOWS FOR HAZARD-FREE NAVIGATION
23 FOR NOT ONLY RECREATIONAL BOATERS BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY THE
24 FIRST RESPOND NURSE THE AREA INCLUDING THE COAST GUARD, THE
25 SHERIFFS, HARBOR PATROL AND OUR LIFEGUARD BAY WATCH. THESE

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1 AGENCIES ARE CHARGED WITH RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES THROUGHOUT
2 SANTA MONICA BAY. SECONDLY, THE COUNTY SAVED AN ESTIMATED \$62
3 MILLION IN HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL FEES BY NOT HAVING TO TAKE
4 THE CONTAMINATED DREDGING MATERIAL TO A LANDFILL AS WELL AS
5 OVER 25,000 TRIPS TO THE LANDFILL WERE AVOIDED BY THIS
6 PROJECT. MOVING THE CONTAMINATED MATERIAL BY BARGE
7 DRAMATICALLY REDUCED THE CARBON FOOTPRINT OF THE PROJECT.
8 ALSO, A STRETCH OF BEACH IN REDONDO BEACH WAS WIDENED BY SOME
9 20 FEET. NEAR SHORE DISPOSAL AT DOCKWEILER ALLOWED FOR BEACH
10 WIDENING OVER TIME, PRESERVING RECREATIONAL USE OF THIS VERY,
11 VERY POPULAR BEACH. AND 82,000 CUBIC YARDS OF CLEAN MATERIAL
12 WERE PLACED OFF SHORE REDONDO BEACH FOR ANY RENOURISHMENT
13 NEEDS IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, SAVING THE COUNTY AN ESTIMATED
14 \$3.26 MILLION. A GREAT PROJECT, GREAT SAVINGS TO THE TAXPAYERS
15 AND DONE IN A VERY EFFICIENT WAY. SO PLEASE JOIN ME IN
16 CONGRATULATING THE MARINA DEL REY MAINTENANCE DREDGING TEAM
17 FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING WORK. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **GARY JONES:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN KNABE, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS. NO PROJECT OF SUCH SIGNIFICANCE, MAGNITUDE CAN BE
21 COMPLETED BY ANY ONE INDIVIDUAL OR DEPARTMENT. AND SO ON
22 BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS, I'D LIKE TO
23 THANK EVERY MEMBER OF THIS TEAM THAT WAS CRITICAL IN A NUMBER
24 OF WAYS IN ACHIEVING ITS ULTIMATE SUCCESS. WE APPRECIATE ALSO

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1 THE RECOGNITION UNDER THIS PROGRAM OF THE WORK THAT WAS
2 COMPLETED. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS
5 AGAIN. INCREDIBLE PROJECT. YOU KNOW, IT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS
6 THAT YOU DON'T HOLD PRESS CONFERENCES, YOU DON'T MAKE A BIG
7 DEAL. BUT WHAT AN INCREDIBLE SAVINGS AND A BENEFIT TO OUR
8 SHORELINE. SO THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH, AND TO OUR PUBLIC
9 SAFETY FOLKS, THE SHERIFF AS WELL AS FIRE AND LIFEGUARDS AND
10 THE COAST GUARD. NOW I'D LIKE TO CALL UP MICHAEL HAYDEN. TODAY
11 WE ARE HONORING MICHAEL, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF CHOIRS AT MIRA
12 COSTA HIGH SCHOOL IN MANHATTAN BEACH FOR BEING ONE OF THE FIVE
13 TEACHERS NAMED AS THE 2014 CALIFORNIA TEACHER OF THE YEAR BY
14 THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. THAT'S A VERY, VERY
15 SIGNIFICANT AWARD BECAUSE THERE ARE OVER 380,000 TEACHERS IN
16 OUR GREAT STATE. MICHAEL'S THE FIRST CHOIR TEACHER TO BE NAMED
17 AS A CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHER OF THE YEAR. HE CAME TO MIRA
18 COSTA IN 2007 AFTER A TEACHING CAREER AS A UNIVERSITY
19 PROFESSOR IN MUSIC EDUCATION IN INDIANA AT BUTLER UNIVERSITY.
20 HE ALSO CONDUCTS FOUR CHOIRS AND TWO AFTER SCHOOL A CAPPELLA
21 CHOIRS. MIRA COSTA HAS BEEN RANKED IN THE TOP 125 SCHOOLS IN
22 THE NATION BY THE GRAMMY FOUNDATION'S SIGNATURE SCHOOLS
23 PROGRAM FOR FIVE OF THE LAST SEVEN YEARS FOR ITS OUTSTANDING
24 MUSIC DEPARTMENT. UNDER MICHAEL'S DIRECTION, MIRA COSTA HAS
25 SUNG BOTH AT THE WALT DISNEY CONCERT HALL AS WELL AS CARNEGIE

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1 HALL AND THEY HAVE PERFORMED AND COMPETED AT BOTH NATIONAL AND
2 INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVALS TO VERY, VERY WIDE ACCLAIM.
3 PRIOR TO BEING NAMED AS ONE OF THE 2014 CALIFORNIA TEACHERS OF
4 THE YEAR, HE WAS NAMED AS ONE OF THE 16 TEACHERS OF THE YEAR
5 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ALSO RECEIVED THE SILVER
6 BURDETT CHORAL AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA MUSIC EDUCATORS'
7 ASSOCIATION FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE TO CHORAL MUSIC IN
8 THIS GREAT STATE. SO NOW ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO-
9 - I KNOW IT'S A BIG CELEBRATION IS COMING UP, WHEN? NEXT WEEK.
10 NEXT WEEK UP IN SACRAMENTO. BUT TO TAKE A MOMENT TODAY TO
11 CONGRATULATE MICHAEL ON THIS VERY, VERY GREAT RECOGNITION AND
12 THANK HIM FOR ALL HE DOES FOR THE ARTS AND MORE IMPORTANTLY
13 THE ARTS THAT HE'S PLANTING IN THE KIDS OF OUR GREAT STATE. SO
14 CONGRATULATIONS, MICHAEL. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **MICHAEL HAYDEN:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK CHAIRMAN KNABE AND THE
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS HONOR AND I WANT TO ALSO THANK
18 THE MANHATTAN BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTED TODAY
19 BY OUR SUPERINTENDENT MIKE MATTHEWS AND DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
20 SERVICES CAROLYN SETON AND FORMER BOARD MEMBER, THE HONORABLE
21 AMY HOWORTH, WHO IS NOW MAYOR OF MANHATTAN BEACH. OUR SCHOOL
22 BOARD SO SUPPORTS THE ARTS IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND WITHOUT THEIR
23 SUPPORT, WE COULD NOT DO WHAT WE DO, WHICH IS CHANGE KIDS'
24 LIVES THROUGH MUSIC AND THE ARTS. THIS MORNING, IN TALKING
25 WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE, HE SAID IT, I THINK, BEST, BETTER THAN

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1 I'VE EVER HEARD ANYWHERE. HE SAID TODAY IN TALKING WITH ME, HE
2 SHARED THAT HE OWES ALL OF HIS SELF ESTEEM TO HIS INVOLVEMENT
3 WITH MUSIC. WELL, LOOK WHAT THAT DID FOR THE COMMUNITY OF LOS
4 ANGELES IN THE FACT THAT IT HAS BROUGHT ONE OF THE MOST
5 PASSIONATE PEOPLE FOR THE ARTS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
6 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT IS AN EXCEPTIONAL HONOR STARTING
9 WITH 380,000. LET'S GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. MICHAEL
10 HAYDEN. [APPLAUSE.] NOW I'D LIKE TO CALL UP A DEAR FRIEND, MR.
11 LYNN ADKINS. TODAY WE'RE HONORING LYNN FOR HIS OUTSTANDING
12 SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY AS A RETIRING
13 MEMBER AND CURRENT PRESIDENT OF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY CIVIL
14 SERVICE COMMISSION. LYNN IS A NATIVE ANGELINO. HE WAS BORN IN
15 EAST L.A., GREW UP IN ALHAMBRA THEN MARRIED HIS CHILDHOOD
16 SWEETHEART JACKIE. THEY MET WHEN THEY WERE NINE YEARS OLD,
17 DATED IN HIGH SCHOOL, AND MARRIED AFTER GRADUATION. LYNN AND
18 JACKIE WERE MARRIED 41 YEARS WHEN JACKIE PASSED AWAY. LYNN HAS
19 THREE ADULT CHILDREN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, THAT'S GOD'S REWARD
20 FOR SURVIVING YOUR OWN KIDS, HAVING THOSE GRANDKIDS. HE'S A
21 VIETNAM VETERAN AND WAS EMPLOYED BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
22 UNTIL HE RETIRED IN 2005. IN 2007 I WAS HONORED TO APPOINT HIM
23 AS A MEMBER OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, AND HE HAS SERVED
24 AS ITS PRESIDENT SINCE 2009. AS WE ALL KNOW, IT SERVES AS AN
25 APPELLATE BODY FOR MAJOR EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS AND A

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1 NUMBER OF CITIES THAT ALSO CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY. LYNN HAS
2 HAD TO DEAL WITH SOME VERY TOUGH ISSUES OVER THE YEARS AND HAS
3 DONE SO WITH UTMOST CARE AND INTEGRITY. IN HIS RETIREMENT,
4 HE'S GOING TO BE VOLUNTEERING IN SOME VETERANS AFFAIRS ISSUES
5 AS WELL AS WORKING THE LIONS CLUB. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY TO
6 LYNN THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE. IT'S BEEN
7 A GREAT TOUR WITH YOU AND I'M HONORED THE WAY YOU'VE SERVED
8 AND REPRESENTED THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY, BEING FAIR AND JUST
9 AND YOUR INTEGRITY IS IMPECCABLE. YOU'VE BEEN A DEAR FRIEND
10 FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **LYNN ADKINS:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN KNABE AND THANK YOU TO THE
13 HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT WAS TRULY AN HONOR TO BE A
14 COMMISSIONER FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I SEE SOME OF MY
15 FRIENDS THAT I WORKED WITH HERE, PATRICK AND I SEE LISA AND
16 EPPIE, BEEN HELPING ME ALL THROUGH THAT TIME. BUT IT REALLY
17 WAS AN HONOR TO BE ON THIS COMMISSION. AND I WANT TO TAKE JUST
18 A MOMENT AS A CITIZEN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO THANK THE BOARD
19 OF SUPERVISORS FOR ALL THEY DO FOR US AND ALL THE HARD WORK
20 THAT YOU HAVE PUT IN HERE. I AS A CITIZEN AND THE PEOPLE THAT
21 I KNOW REALLY APPRECIATE IT. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR WHAT YOU DO
22 FOR US. AND IT WAS TRULY AN HONOR TO HELP SERVE THE PEOPLE OF
23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS, TODAY WE'RE GOING TO
3 RECOGNIZE ONE OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO IS RETIRING, THAT IS
4 RITA SMITH WITH 41 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A TRIAL ATTORNEY WITH
5 THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE. SHE'S JOINED BY HER HUSBAND,
6 CHARLES SMITH, THIS MORNING. SHE JOINED THE OFFICE BACK IN
7 1973 SHORTLY AFTER GRADUATING FROM THE HASTINGS COLLEGE OF
8 LAW. SHE WAS PROMOTED TO HEAD DEPUTY OF THE POMONA BRANCH IN
9 2010. DURING HER LONG AND DISTINGUISHED CAREER, SHE HAD BEEN
10 INSTRUMENTAL IN PROVIDING THE HIGHEST QUALITY OF
11 REPRESENTATION AND IMPROVING THE LIVES OF COUNTLESS CLIENTS
12 WHILE EARNING THE RESPECT OF HER PEERS, COLLEAGUES, OPPOSING
13 COUNSEL AND BENCH OFFICERS. SO, RITA, WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE
14 YOU ON 41 YEARS AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN YOUR
15 RETIREMENT. BEFORE WE ASK HER TO SAY A FEW WORDS, WE ASK THE
16 PUBLIC DEFENDER RON BROWN TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

17

18 **RON BROWN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU TO THE BOARD.
19 YOU KNOW, MOST FOLKS CONSIDER A CAREER TO BE SOMETHING LIKE 20
20 YEARS OR 30 YEARS. RITA HAS BEEN WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S
21 OFFICE FOR A THIRD OF ITS EXISTENCE, ACTUALLY MORE THAN THAT.
22 WHAT LITTLE SUCCESS I HAVE HAD AS A TRIAL LAWYER, I OWE TO
23 RITA HARRIS SMITH. RITA HAS BEEN A DEDICATED EMPLOYEE. SHE
24 CARES ABOUT HER CLIENTS, AND SHE CARES ABOUT THIS COUNTY. I
25 REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND ALSO HIS STAFF,

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1 ALLEN GOMEZ AND ANNA PEMBEDJIAN HAVE BEEN WONDERFUL. AND WE IN
2 THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE WILL SINCERELY MISS RITA. THANK
3 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **RITA SMITH:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. YOU MAKE ME FEEL
6 VERY SPECIAL. IN FACT, I'M NOT SPECIAL AT ALL. I'M JUST A KID
7 THAT GREW UP WATCHING THINGS LIKE PERRY MASON AND THE
8 DEFENDERS. (LAUGHING) EXACTLY. AND I HAD THIS FEELING LIKE I
9 WANTED TO GROW UP AND HELP PEOPLE. AND I ALSO HAD THIS FEELING
10 LIKE I DIDN'T REALLY CARE FOR IT WHEN I HEARD ABOUT OR SAW
11 SOME TYPE OF INJUSTICE. SO I KNEW THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO DO
12 WITH MY LIFE. I DECIDED TO GO TO LAW SCHOOL. AND AFTER I GOT
13 OUT OF LAW SCHOOL, I GOT THIS JOB WITH THIS LOS ANGELES COUNTY
14 PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE. AND IT DIDN'T MATTER THAT I WAS A
15 WOMAN OR THAT I WAS A HIPPIE FROM SAN FRANCISCO WHERE I WENT TO
16 LAW SCHOOL OR THAT I WAS THE DAUGHTER OF STRUGGLING
17 IMMIGRANTS. I GOT THIS JOB. AND FOR 41 YEARS, I GOT UP IN THE
18 MORNING EVERY MORNING AND I WENT TO WORK. [APPLAUSE.] I DID IT
19 BECAUSE I LOVED IT. EVERY SINGLE DAY I GOT TO HELP PEOPLE. I
20 HELPED HUNDREDS, THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN MY LIFETIME. AND I GOT
21 TO FIGHT FOR JUSTICE EVERY SINGLE DAY. AND THAT WAS WHAT WAS
22 MY PASSION AND WHAT I ABSOLUTELY ADORED. SO THANK YOU AGAIN TO
23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
24 I APPRECIATE THIS. I WILL TREASURE IT. I WILL LOVE IT. I WILL
25 CHERISH IT UNTIL THE DAY I DIE. THANK YOU TO THE GREATEST BOSS

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1 IN THE WORLD, THE ABSOLUTE, THERE COULD NOT BE A BETTER ONE
2 ANYWHERE, RON BROWN, YOU'RE THE GREATEST. CARRY IT ON. TAKE IT
3 OVER AND DO IT. AND, FINALLY, LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THANK YOU TO
4 MY WONDERFUL, LONG SUFFERING HUSBAND, CHARLES SMITH. HONEY, I
5 LOVE YOU AND WE'RE GOING TO BE TOGETHER NOW. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE A GROUP OF YOUNG
8 MEN. THESE ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE SAN DIMAS HIGH SCHOOL
9 C.F.I.-- C.I.F. I SHOULD SAY. I WAS THINKING ABOUT THE PUBLIC
10 DEFENDER, CORONER AND ALL THESE THINGS. ANYWAY, THE C.I.F. THE
11 MID-VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIP FOOTBALL TEAM. WE HAVE HEAD COACH BILL
12 ZERNICKOW, SENIOR CAPTAINS NOAH REEP , REECE ALVARADO ,
13 MITCHELL GILES, RICKY BELTRAN, FAUSTO MARTINEZ AND GERARD
14 TRUJILLO, RUNNING BACK JOSEPH MAYORGA. THE SAN DIMAS HIGH
15 SCHOOL BEAT LANCASTER'S HIGH SCHOOL TEAM IN A 20-14 TO TAKE
16 HOME THIS VICTORY. IT WAS HARD FOUGHT TO THE END. WITH LESS
17 THAN 20 SECONDS TO GO. JOSEPH MAYORGA RAN 32 YARDS TO SCORE
18 THE WINNING TOUCHDOWN. AND THE COACH'S LEADERSHIP AND
19 DEDICATION TO HIS TEAM TURNED THE SAINTS FROM A LOSING TEAM
20 INTO A POWERHOUSE IN LESS THAN 10 SECONDS. SO CONGRATULATIONS.
21 A LITTLE BIT LIKE AUBURN DID TO ALABAMA, RIGHT? SO, ANYWAY,
22 BILL, THIS IS YOUR PROCLAMATION AND TO THE MEN BEHIND YOU, AND
23 YOU HAVE YOURS. LET'S TAKE A PICTURE, THEN SAY A FEW WORDS.

24

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1 **BILL ZERNICKOW:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
2 RECOGNIZING OUR YOUNG MEN HERE. WE'VE HAD SUCH A SEASON. IT'S
3 ONE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO ALWAYS REMEMBER, AND COMING TO THE
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OBVIOUSLY IS GOING TO BE A MEMORABLE
5 THING IN THEIR THANK EVERYBODY FOR HAVING US HERE. THE
6 FOOTBALL SEASON WAS A GREAT FOOTBALL SEASON FOR US. IT STARTED
7 OFF ROUGH. WE WERE 0 AND 4, AND THEN WE WON TEN CONSECUTIVE
8 GAMES TO WIN THE C.I.F. TITLE. [APPLAUSE] IT'S TEAMWORK AND
9 DETERMINATION AND GREAT SENIOR LEADERSHIP AND THAT'S WHY THESE
10 GUYS ARE HERE AND THESE GUYS HAVE BEEN OUTSTANDING. SO THE
11 L.A. COUNTY'S GOING TO HAVE SOME GREAT LEADERS HERE IN THE
12 FUTURE, SO THANK YOU GUYS SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A VERY, VERY CUTE LITTLE PUPPY, A
15 LITTLE BOY. IT'S A GOLDEN TERRIER MIX. HIS NAME IS JAX. AND
16 THIS IS JAX. HE WAS IN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S OFFICE
17 EARLIER THIS MORNING SAYING HELLO TO EVERYBODY. AND NOW HE'S
18 OUT HERE TO GREET THE PEOPLE AND SAY HELLO ON TELEVISION. YOU
19 CAN CALL 562-728-4610 IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN ADOPTING LITTLE
20 JAX. AND AGAIN, HE'S A LITTLE GOLDEN TERRIER MIX. TERRIERS ARE
21 VERY LOVABLE. VERY LOVABLE DOGS. INTERESTED?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT SEEMS LIKE THEY LIKE RED, TOO.
24 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? SUPERVISOR

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1 RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY PRESENTATIONS? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU
2 WERE UP FIRST. WE'LL DO THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FIRST.

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** OKAY, THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. ON
5 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3, THOSE ARE THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS TODAY,
6 SO ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD ON ITEMS 1
7 THROUGH 3, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN
8 IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU
9 SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING
10 BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.
11 ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS THE HEARING ON PROPOSED
12 VACATION OF BANDERA AVENUE SOUTH OF 118TH STREET IN THE
13 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF WILLOWBROOK. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
14 STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.
15 MR. CHAIRMAN, THERE'S ALSO ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO WILL
16 BE SPEAKING ON THIS ITEM.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL GO AHEAD WITH THE DEPARTMENT
19 REPORT, PLEASE.

20

21 **JOSE SUAREZ:** I AM A CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** COULD YOU REPEAT YOUR NAME, PLEASE? YOUR
24 MICROPHONE WASN'T ON.

25

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1 **JOSE SUAREZ:** MY NAME IS JOSE SUAREZ, I AM A CIVIL ENGINEER FOR
2 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE INVESTIGATED THE
3 PROPOSED VACATION OF PORTIONS OF BANDERA AVENUE SOUTH OF 118TH
4 STREET IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF WILLOWBROOK. IN MY
5 OPINION, THE INVOLVED PORTION OF BANDERA AVENUE SOUTH OF 118TH
6 STREET IS UNNECESSARY FOR PRESENT AND PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE
7 AND IT'S NOT USEFUL AS A NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION
8 FACILITY. AN EASEMENT FOR UTILITY PURPOSES WILL BE RESERVED IN
9 THE INVOLVED AREA IN FAVOR OF PACIFIC BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY
10 DOING BUSINESS AS AT&T CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS
11 COMPANY, AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY AS WELL AS AN
12 EASEMENT TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR SANITARY SEWER
13 PURPOSES AND AN EASEMENT FOR COVERED STORM DRAIN PURPOSES TO
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. IN MY OPINION, THE
15 PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE RESERVATION OF
16 THESE EASEMENTS. WE ARE AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE
17 PROPOSED VACATION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY FOLKS FROM THE
20 PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM NO. 1? ERIC PREVEN.

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** I'LL PASS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT, THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

25

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. AND THEN THE
4 ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
5 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY; WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS
8 THE HEARING ON PROPOSED VACATION OF PORTIONS OF KANAN ROAD AND
9 SLOPE EASEMENT EAST OF SIERRA CREEK ROAD IN THE UNINCORPORATED
10 COMMUNITY OF CORNELL. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO
11 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED AND THERE IS ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO
12 SIGNED UP.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT? SIR?

15

16 **JOSE SUAREZ:** MY NAME IS JOSE SUAREZ, I'M A CIVIL ENGINEER FOR
17 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE INVESTIGATED THE
18 PROPOSED VACATIONS OF PORTIONS KANAN ROAD AND SLOPE EASEMENT
19 EAST OF SIERRA CREEK ROAD IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF
20 CORNELL. IN MY OPINION, THE INVOLVED PORTION OF KANAN ROAD AND
21 THE SLOPE EASEMENT EAST OF SIERRA CREEK ROAD ARE UNNECESSARY
22 FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE AND ARE NOT USEFUL AS
23 NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES. AN EASEMENT FOR
24 UTILITY PURPOSES WILL BE RESERVED IN THE INVOLVED AREA IN
25 FAVOR OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. IN MY OPINION, THE PUBLIC

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1 CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE RESERVATION OF THIS
2 EASEMENT. WE ARE AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED
3 VACATION.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANYONE SIGNED UP? ARNOLD SACHS?
6 OKAY. HE'S NOT HERE YET? OH, HE'S HERE. WELL, IF YOU KNOW
7 YOU'RE GOING TO SPEAK, WHY DON'T YOU MOVE FORWARD A LITTLE BIT
8 QUICKER? THANKS.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ARNOLD SACHS. MY CONCERNS HERE, THIS IS ACTUALLY
11 A STORY FROM THE L.A. TIMES FROM MAY 6, 2001 WHEN WE WERE
12 HAVING A DEREGULATION FUN AND GAMES. EDISON, A WORKFORCE
13 DEMORALIZED. PART OF THIS STORY INCLUDES AN EDISON TIMELINE.
14 AND BACK IN JULY OF 1909, IT STATES THAT THE COMPANY CHANGED
15 ITS NAME TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, THE ITEM IS IN REGARDS TO AN
18 EASEMENT, NOT SOME ARTICLE FROM 1978 WHATEVER.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE ITEM REGARDS AN EASEMENT OWNED BY SOUTHERN
21 CALIFORNIA EDISON, MR. KNABE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND THE ITEM BETTER THAN YOU
24 DO.

25

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I AM TRYING TO LET YOU SEE THAT IN 1996, EDISON
2 INTERNATIONAL IS INCORPORATED WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
3 AS A SUBSIDIARY. SO YOU HAVE TWO DIFFERENT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
4 EDISONS.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM DOES NOT REFER TO THE SUBSET OR
7 SOME MERGER. THIS IS AN EASEMENT. DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION ON
8 THE EASEMENT?

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE EASEMENT OWNED BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
11 EDISON, SIR. SO I'M TRYING TO FIND OUT FROM THE BOARD WHICH
12 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON THIS REFERS TO, SIR.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY,
15 THAT'S WHO IT BELONGS TO.

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SO IS THAT THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
18 COMPANY FROM 1909 OR IS THAT THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
19 COMPANY THAT'S A SUBSIDIARY THAT IS AN INTERNATIONAL? I'M
20 THINKING THAT IT'S THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY OF
21 1909. AND THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE MADE AWARE OF THAT BECAUSE THEY
22 ARE THE UNINFORMED PUBLIC, AS WE'VE HEARD FROM OTHER
23 SUPERVISORS. SO, AGAIN, MY QUESTION, SIR, BECAUSE I'VE SEEN IT
24 HAPPEN IN NUMEROUS OTHER OPERATIONS THAT INVOLVE THIS COUNTY,
25 YOU SAY THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY, WHICH IS THE

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1 PARENT COMPANY OF EDISON INTERNATIONAL OR THE SUBSIDIARY OF
2 EDISON INTERNATIONAL. CAN YOU ANSWER THAT QUESTION? NO. TIME
3 IS UP.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOVED BY
6 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 3 THIS IS
10 THE HEARING TO APPROVE THE CONTINUATION OF THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL
11 PARK-AND-RIDE AND SHUTTLE PROGRAM FOR THE 2014-2015 HOLLYWOOD
12 BOWL SUMMER SEASONS, APPROVE A FARE INCREASE FOR THE 2014-'15
13 SEASON. NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT WAS SUBMITTED AND THERE IS NO
14 CORRESPONDENCE. THERE ARE A COUPLE--

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN AND MR. SACHS. SEE, SHE READ
17 IT IN. YOU WEREN'T PAYING ATTENTION. HOLLYWOOD BOWL.

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** GIVE ME TWO MINUTES, AND I'LL GO FORWARD. THANK
20 YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND
21 THIS ITEM, NO. 3, IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ONCE AGAIN RAISE THE
22 PARK-AND-RIDE RATES FOR THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL AS WELL AS THE
23 SHUTTLE RATES. THEY'RE TWO DIFFERENT RATE STRUCTURES. AND WHAT
24 WE'VE BEEN DOING IS ALTERNATIVELY YEAR-TO-YEAR WE'VE BEEN
25 RAISING ONE AND NOT THE OTHER. SO THIS ROLLS OUT AS IF THERE'S

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1 NO RAISE, THE INCREASE IN ONE AND NOT THE OTHER. THE PROBLEM
2 IS THAT THERE'S SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES UP THE YING-YANG FROM
3 THE PRE-PURCHASED ROUND-TRIP PARK AND RIDE BUS TICKET WILL
4 INCREASE FROM \$5 TO \$6 PER PERSON FOR THE 2014 SEASON AND THEN
5 IT GOES TO \$7 FOR THE 2015 SEASON. IF YOU LOOK AT THAT TOTAL
6 INCREASE I JUST DESCRIBED, THAT'S A 40 PERCENT INCREASE AND
7 IT'S IN TWO PIECES. SO BY BREAKING IT UP INTO 20 PERCENT AND
8 25 PERCENT, WE MAKE IT GO DOWN A LITTLE SMOOTHER, BUT IT'S NOT
9 GOING DOWN SMOOTHLY AT ALL BECAUSE IT WAS LAST MONTH MORE
10 RECENTLY THAT WE IN FACT INCREASED THE RATES FOR HOLLYWOOD
11 BOWL ITSELF DESPITE SOME CONFUSION WITH THE THIRD DISTRICT AND
12 I THINK SUPERVISOR KNABE VOTES AGAINST THIS AND SOMEONE
13 EARLIER SAID HE'S AN ARTS CHAMPION. I THINK YOU'RE ALL ARTS
14 CHAMPIONS. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY BEFORE I
15 PUSH HARDER ON THIS FOR ALL THAT HE HAS DONE BECAUSE I THINK
16 HE'S DONE A LOT, ESPECIALLY FOR THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. I DON'T
17 THINK ANYONE WOULD ARGUE THAT HE HASN'T. AND HE ALSO GOES DOWN
18 THERE AND WILL READ THOMAS JEFFERSON FROM TIME TO TIME. HE
19 DOES WHAT WE EXPECT FOR A MINISTERIAL LEADER OF HIS ILK. WHAT
20 WE NEED THOUGHT IS SOMEONE TO GO INTO THE WEEDS ON SOME OF
21 THESE DETAILS, BECAUSE I DON'T THINK ANYBODY WANTS THAT KIND
22 OF AN INCREASE AND THERE ARE INCREASES LIKE THAT AT EACH AND
23 EVERY STAGE. 25 PERCENT INCREASE HERE. ACTUALLY 20 PERCENT
24 INCREASE FOR PREPURCHASED TICKETS, 20 PERCENT INCREASE FOR THE
25 SHUTTLE FOLKS. NOW, THESE ARE, IF YOU HAVE A FAMILY OF FOUR,

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1 YOU CAN MULTIPLY THAT BY FOUR. SO A \$20 RIDE WOULD COST \$28
2 FOR THAT ONE I MENTIONED, THE MOST EGREGIOUS. I WOULD URGE THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HOLD THE LINE ON THIS. WE HAVE OTHER
4 PRIORITIES.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THIS ITEM STATES THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO
9 NEGOTIATE AWARD AND SIGN A CONTRACT FOR THE 2014-'15 SEASON
10 WITH INDEPENDENT AND MUNICIPAL BUS OPERATORS TO PROVIDE THE
11 SERVICE FOR THE PARK-AND-RIDE LOTS. YET FURTHER DOWN IT STATES
12 THAT, "IN THE EVENT A CONTRACTED BUS OPERATOR FAILS TO DELIVER
13 SERVICE THEN THE PHILHARMONIC IS SUPPOSED TO PROVIDE THE
14 BUSES." WHERE ARE THEY GOING TO GET BUSES FROM? THEY'RE GOING
15 TO CALL METRO TO GET A BUS? WHY IS THE PHILHARMONIC REQUIRED
16 TO PROVIDE A BUS SERVICE IF A CONTRACT BUS OPERATOR THAT'S
17 BEEN CONTRACTED WITH THE COUNTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS FAILS
18 TO LIVE UP TO ITS PROMISES? AND HOW WILL THEY GET REIMBURSED?
19 AND WHO WILL REIMBURSE THEM FOR THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
20 HAVING TO PROVIDE THAT CONTRACTED BUS SERVICE THAT WASN'T
21 CONTRACTED? WE DON'T KNOW. BUT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SERVICE
22 HERE. SO THE COUNTY'S SHARE IN 2014 IS \$609,000. AND IT GOES
23 DOWN TO \$539,000 IN 2015. WHY THE MAGNANIMOUS DECREASE? YET
24 THE L.A. P.A., WHO THE HELL ARE THEY? THEIR SHARE GOES FROM
25 396,000 DOWN TO 341,000. SO YOU'RE DECREASING WHAT THE COUNTY

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1 IS GIVING, BUT YOU'RE INCREASING WHAT THE PUBLIC IS GIVING OR
2 HAVING TO GIVE. THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. AND THE SHUTTLE RIDES
3 STAY THE SAME. AND ONE QUICK QUESTION. WHEN THE PARK-AND-RIDE
4 BUSES ARRIVE AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, DO YOU NECESSARILY NEED TO
5 HAVE SHUTTLE SERVICE FROM THE HOLLYWOOD PARK-AND-RIDE LOTS TO
6 GET TO THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL SO THAT IT BECOMES A DOUBLE CHARGE
7 FOR THE PATRONS USING THE PARK-AND-RIDE LOTS? NOT ONLY DO THEY
8 HAVE TO PAY FOR THE BUSES TO GET THERE AND THEN THEY HAVE TO
9 PAY FOR THE SHUTTLE ON TOP OF IT? I KNOW. TIME'S EXPIRED.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TIME'S EXPIRED. QUICK ANSWER. THE
12 ADDITIONAL SHUTTLES ARE PRIMARILY FOR HANDICAPPED
13 ACCESSIBILITY. THAT'S BETWEEN EDISON AND EDISON INTERNATIONAL.
14 [LAUGHTER.] THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
15 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

17

18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AND THAT COMPLETES THE
19 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS FOR TODAY.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE WILL PROCEED, THEN, WITH
22 THOSE HOLDING MULTIPLE ITEMS, MR. PREVEN, YOU WILL COME
23 FORWARD AND SPEAK ON 1-P, 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, 19-C AND C.S.-1.

24

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** ERIC PREVEN FROM COUNTY DISTRICTS NO. 3. BUT I
2 WILL IDENTIFY EACH ITEM I SPEAK ON BEFORE I SPEAK WITH IT
3 BECAUSE THAT WAS NOT MY LIST. MAYBE YOU GOT IT WRONG. IT'S
4 OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MAY HAVE.

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S POSSIBLE, POSSIBLE. I KNOW TODAY IS FUNNY
9 ZINGER DAY, BUT PLEASE DON'T INTERRUPT ME DURING THE
10 PRESENTATION AS YOU WERE DOING WITH MR. SACHS. YOU DID IT LAST
11 WEEK AND IT WAS VERY UPSETTING FOR ME, BECAUSE I CAN'T KEEP
12 TRACK. IT'S HARD WITH ALL THESE ITEMS, SO I APPRECIATE THAT.
13 FIRST OF ALL, THE PRESENTATION WAS EXCELLENT FOR THE MARINA
14 DREDGING GROUP. ONE GROUP THAT WAS NOT HONORED AMONG THEM WAS
15 THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, I NOTICED, BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT
16 COUNTY STARS. THEY ARE ACTUALLY A DIFFERENT GROUP, SO THAT'S
17 REASONABLE. BUT JON NAHHAS AND THE BOATING COALITION HAVE BEEN
18 TRYING TO DREDGE UP CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS ON THAT MARINA
19 STUFF AND THEY HAVE NOT BEEN GETTING ANY TRACTION. WE GOT
20 COUNTY COUNSEL, AMY CAVES, COULD BE THE ONE WHO THE BOARD
21 WANTS TO GOOSE ALONG, CUT SOME RED TAPE, MAYOR ANTONOVICH,
22 LIKE LAST WEEK, YOU COULD ADDRESS HER ON THAT. THERE'S BEEN A
23 LOT OF WEIRD PUBLIC RECORDS OMISSIONS GOING ON OVER THERE THAT
24 I'VE HEARD ABOUT, WHICH I WILL LEAVE FOR LATER. ITEM 8 IS
25 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT. AND CERTAINLY THIS IS AN ITEM THAT'S BEEN

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1 PUSHED OFF FOR ANOTHER MONTH AS USUAL. BUT THIS IS A GREAT
2 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO BRING IN THE KINDS OF
3 SCRUTINIZERS AND RESIDENTS WHO ARE WILLING TO STEP FORWARD AND
4 MAKE JUDGMENTS ABOUT SOME OF THE EGREGIOUSNESS IN OUR
5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OVER THE LAST COUPLE YEARS THAT HAS NOW
6 COME OUT IN VARIOUS WAYS THAT I WON'T GET INTO HERE. WE'VE ALL
7 HEARD ABOUT THOSE SCANDALS. WE STILL NEED A THIRD VOTE FROM
8 THESE SUPERVISORS. PUTTING IT OFF UNTIL FEBRUARY 25TH IS OF
9 COURSE INSULTING TO THE RESIDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR IT
10 FOR A VERY, VERY LONG TIME DESPITE NUMEROUS EFFORTS THAT THIS
11 BODY HAS HAD TO TRY TO BRING THOSE PROBLEMS INTO LINE. I DON'T
12 SAY THIS WITH ANY KIND OF SPIN. IT HAS BEEN A FAILURE. SO WE
13 NEED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH EYEBALLS THAT ARE FRESH AND NOT
14 INTERESTED AND NOT RICHARD DRUYAN AND JOE BRAND AND JOE
15 MCGRATH WHO ARE ALL FINE AMERICANS BUT THEY'RE FINE AMERICANS
16 WHO ARE WORKING FOR YOU GUYS UNDER TERMS THAT WE CAN'T SEE
17 DOING WE DON'T KNOW WHAT AND WE DON'T LIKE IT BECAUSE THEY
18 COME BACK AND SAY STUFF LIKE LAPEL CAMERAS DON'T MAKE ANY
19 SENSE. WHAT? OF COURSE THEY MAKE SENSE. AND ASK STEVE SOBEROFF
20 AND OTHERS. AND I'M HAPPY TO GO INTO THE WEEDS ON CUSTODY
21 VERSUS PATROL THERE. IT'S JUST NOT A FAIR ASSESSMENT. WE WANT
22 PEOPLE GIVING US A FAIR ASSESSMENT. OKAY. ITEM NO. 11 REQUIRES
23 VERY, VERY CAREFUL SCRUTINY AND I'M NOT UP FOR IT. BUT SOMEONE
24 SHOULD BE LOOKING VERY CLOSELY AT WHY WE ARE ROLLING OUT AN
25 EXTRAORDINARY NEW OFFICE FOR THE HOMICIDE GROUP AND OTHERS IN

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1 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AT THIS TIME. WE WERE PROMISED
2 SOMETHING CALLED THE HALL OF JUSTICE, WHICH WAS BUILT AND WE
3 SPENT A LOT OF MONEY. WE WENT A LITTLE OVER BUDGET BECAUSE IT
4 WAS CHALLENGING. WE WERE DOING SOME PRESERVATIONIST WORK, AND
5 I AM A PRESERVATIONIST, AS MR. YAROSLAVSKY AND MR. RIDLEY-
6 THOMAS. I AM A PRESERVATIONIST. I AM WITH KEEPING OLD STUFF
7 THAT'S COOL, COOL. THAT SAID, THIS NEW ROLLOUT IS WORRISOME. I
8 DON'T KNOW HOW TO EVALUATE IT BECAUSE IT'S ALL CODED IN WAYS
9 THAT I CAN'T QUITE GET INTO IT. HOPEFULLY SOMEONE WILL TAKE A
10 LOOK. FINALLY, I JUST WANT TO ASK SUPERVISOR MOLINA WHO HAS
11 DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB REGARDING CESAR CHAVEZ VOLUNTEER--

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TIME'S UP, THANK YOU.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, BUT THE FINAL COMMENT, THERE'S A LINE THAT
16 SAYS, NO PUBLIC INFORMATION-- NOT FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION. HIT
17 THE BUTTON, SIR. NOT FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION. I DON'T KNOW WHAT
18 THAT MEANS. WHY WOULD THAT BE THE CASE?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS? YOU ARE HOLDING 1-P, 15 AND
21 12 AND 19-C.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. AND I
24 BELIEVE IF YOU CHECK YOUR AGENDA, YOU WILL SEE THAT SOME OF
25 THESE ITEMS ARE RELATED AND HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO BE PUT DOWN

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1 AS HOLDING THEM. ANYWAY, I ACTUALLY HELD TWO ITEMS. ONE WAS 1-
2 P AND THE OTHER WAS ITEM 12. 1-P DEALS WITH PARK FUNDING. SO
3 MY CONCERN WITH THAT IS, BECAUSE OF THE ACTION YOU FAILED TO
4 TAKE WITH THE PROBLEM THAT OCCURRED IN WHITTIER FOR THAT
5 ALLOCATION OF PUBLIC FUNDS WHERE THE CITY OF WHITTIER USED
6 THEM FOR THEIR OWN BEHALF OR THEY MISUSED THEM AND THEY
7 ALLOWED OIL DRILLING. THEY ALLOWED A CONTRACT TO BE SIGNED ON
8 PUBLIC PROPERTY, BASICALLY THE MONEY THAT WAS USED-- PUBLIC
9 FUNDS THAT WERE USED TO PURCHASE PUBLIC PROPERTY. AND THAT WAS
10 AFTER THE COUNTY COUNSEL SAW THE ITEM THAT HAD BEEN PRODUCED
11 BY THE OIL COMPANY, AND HE FAILED TO ACT. SO I'M REALLY
12 CONCERNED ABOUT WHEN YOU START GIVING WAY MONEY LIKE THAT, HOW
13 IT WILL END UP BEING USED. AND THEN I HELD ITEM 12, THE
14 CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT YOU ARE PROPOSING. YOU'VE LUMPED THEM
15 ALL TOGETHER. AND SO I'M WONDERING, YOU KNOW, WE'VE JUST HEARD
16 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS DO AN ORDINANCE REGARDING LOW INCOME
17 WORKERS IN ZIP CODES THAT THEY WOULD BE ELIGIBLE TO WORK ON
18 COUNTY PROJECTS THAT HAVE A BUDGET OVER A CERTAIN AMOUNT. BUT
19 WHEN YOU LUMP ALL THESE PROJECTS TOGETHER AND YOU PUT OUT A
20 COST OF \$60 MILLION, WE'RE NOT REALLY SURE WHAT EACH PROJECT
21 COSTS, SO HOW DOES THAT AFFECT THE ZIP CODES WHERE PEOPLE
22 LIVE? AND HOW DO THEY BECOME AFFECTED WITH HAVING THE
23 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON SOME OF THESE LOW INCOME PROJECTS? OR
24 NOT LOW INCOME PROJECTS, BUT LOW INCOME WORKERS HAVING THE
25 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON COUNTY PROJECTS. I MEAN, GOD KNOWS YOU

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1 SPENT ENOUGH TIME TALKING ABOUT IT. WHY DON'T YOU DELIVER
2 SOMETHING INSTEAD OF JUST THE SAME DREDGING UP THE SAME CRAP
3 THAT WE HAVE-- OH SPEAKING OF DREDGING, THAT WAS MARINA DEL
4 REY. AND THEN ANOTHER SUBJECT IS THE DEBT PAYMENT THAT'S
5 INVOLVED. WE GET NO MESSAGE OF THE DEBT PAYMENT. UNFORTUNATELY
6 MS. MOLINA IS NOT HERE TO DISCUSS THE \$22 BILLION DEBT THAT
7 YOU ARE IN ARREARS WITH, WITH COUNTY HEALTH PROGRAM. SO WHAT
8 IS THE DEBT PAYMENT? WE KNOW FROM METRO, THEY'RE IN \$3 BILLION
9 DEBT BECAUSE-- THAT'S WHAT THEY SAID. AGENDIZE THE ITEM. SO
10 HOW MUCH IS THE COUNTY'S YEARLY DEBT PAYMENT OUT? AND CAN WE
11 GET AN IDEA? BECAUSE YOU HAD THAT OTHER LIST OF CAPITAL
12 PROJECTS, BUT THIS DOESN'T INCLUDE THE JAIL THAT YOU'RE
13 CONSIDERING, WHAT THE DEBT PAYMENT WOULD BE ON THAT. AND
14 THAT'S LIKE A CREDIT CARD PAYMENT. IT ALWAYS GOES UP.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.

17

18 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
19 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 13 ABOUT D.C.F.S., YOU KNOW, I
20 AM ALWAYS CONCERNED WHEN I SEE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT. AND, YOU
21 KNOW, THIS ONE IS BEING EXTENDED FOR SIX MONTHS BECAUSE THEIR
22 CONTRACT EXPIRED JANUARY 31ST, IN THREE DAYS FROM NOW. YOU
23 KNOW, THAT'S KIND OF A WEIRD WAY TO DO BUSINESS. AND OF COURSE
24 ONE OF THE REASONS WE HAVE EXTENDED THIS CONTRACT IS BECAUSE,
25 GUESS WHAT? WE DO NOT HAVE THE RIGHT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, AND

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1 THAT'S HAPPENED OVER AND OVER AGAIN. THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG
2 IN A SYSTEM WHERE THE DEPARTMENT WAITS THREE DAYS BEFORE THE
3 END OF A CONTRACT TO RENEW IT, AND SAID THEY DID NOT HAVE AN
4 R.F.P. ON TIME. THE FOURTH CONTRACT RENEWED FROM THE SAME
5 BUSINESS WHICH IS FOR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION. AND
6 YOU KNOW, WE KNOW THAT THEY ARE NOT VERY EFFECTIVE BECAUSE THE
7 LAST FEW MONTHS AND YEARS WE HAVE HAD ACUTE ISSUES WITH
8 D.C.F.S. SO I THINK YOU SHOULD LOOK A LITTLE MORE IN DETAIL
9 WITH THAT. AND OF COURSE WE ARE OUR FEET AT THE FIRE BECAUSE
10 THE CONTRACT EXPIRES IN THREE DAYS. AND IF YOU DON'T DO THAT,
11 CHILDREN ARE GOING TO SUFFER. WELL CHILDREN SUFFER NOW BECAUSE
12 THEY ARE NOT EFFECTIVE. SO I THINK YOU NEED TO LOOK AT THAT
13 WITH A LITTLE MORE SCRUTINY AND NOT RENEW THOSE KIND OF
14 CONTRACTS. I ONLY HAD TWO ITEMS TODAY. THE OTHER ONE WAS 18,
15 WHICH I KNOW YOU HAVE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. BUT I WILL SPEAK TO
16 IT NOW BECAUSE I WANT TO GO HOME AND TAKE A NAP. (LAUGHING).
17 I'M NOT FEELING GOOD. I AM TOTALLY ON AGREEMENT WITH ITEM 18.
18 I THINK IN ORDER TO PREVENT RECIDIVISM AND PEOPLE HAVING TO GO
19 BACK TO JAIL, I THINK TO KEEP THEM WITH DOCUMENTATION WHICH
20 CAN ALLOW THEM TO GO TO WORK WOULD BE VERY SIGNIFICANT. AND
21 SINCE THEY ARE IN JAIL, YOU SHOULD HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION
22 NECESSARY TO ISSUE ACCURATE I.D. CARDS AND NOT FALSE I.D.
23 CARDS. SO I HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT, PERIOD. AND FOR YOUR
24 PLEASURE, THE STATE OF NURSING IN CALIFORNIA, FROM "WORKING
25 NURSE" MAGAZINE, MY MOST RECENT ARTICLE. AND IF YOU WANT TO

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1 KNOW, CALIFORNIA IS 48TH IN THE STATES ON HAVING NURSE RATIO
2 TO PATIENTS, SO WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. HAVE A NICE NAP.

5 [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** OKAY, MR. CHAIRMAN. THE FOLLOWING
8 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 1-P, 7, 11, 13, 15 AND 16.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED BY
11 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU'RE FIRST ON.
16 YOU DO HAVE A FEW REMAINING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA IF YOU WANT TO
17 DEAL WITH THOSE FIRST? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU ARE
18 HOLDING 1-D, 12, 19-C AND 19-D, AND I THINK THEY ARE ALL
19 RELATED, IS THAT CORRECT?

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THAT'S CORRECT.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEY ARE, MR. CHAIRMAN. IF YOU'D LIKE ME
24 TO PROCEED, I'M PREPARED TO DO SO. ARE WE IN ORDER?

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, WE'RE IN ORDER.

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO
4 CALL TO THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD THE OVERALL ISSUE OF A
5 PROJECT THAT HAS BEEN IN LONG STANDING, ONE THAT HAS NOT
6 FAILED TO CATCH THE ATTENTION TO ANY NUMBER OF PEOPLE, BOTH
7 EXTERNALLY AND INTERNALLY; THAT IS TO SAY THE PASSERSBY AND/OR
8 THE PERSONS WHO OCCUPY THE FACILITY ON 6TH AND VERMONT. THE
9 CONDITIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT'S HEADQUARTERS BUILDING ON
10 VERMONT AND 6TH STREET, LET ME JUST SIMPLY ASSERT WITHOUT A
11 FEAR OF CONTRADICTION, THOSE CONDITIONS ARE UNACCEPTABLE. THEY
12 ARE NOW IN SUCH A DEGRADED CONDITION THAT THEY ARE CREATING
13 BLIGHT FOR THE SURROUNDING AREA. THAT IS NOT WHAT THE COUNTY
14 OF LOS ANGELES SHOULD BE DOING. THE BUILDINGS DO NOT MEET THE
15 CURRENT NEEDS FOR THE COUNTY'S WORKFORCE. AND PERSONS WHO ARE
16 EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY FAMILY MAKE THAT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR. IN
17 CERTAIN CASES, THE BUILDINGS HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO CREATE
18 UNSAFE WORK ENVIRONMENTS FOR OUR EMPLOYEES. THIS PROBLEM HAS
19 BEEN ON THE COUNTY'S RADAR FOR WELL OVER A DECADE. MR.
20 CHAIRMAN, COLLEAGUES, MAY I SAY THAT AGAIN? THIS PROBLEM OF
21 VERMONT AND 6TH HAS BEEN ON THE COUNTY'S RADAR FOR WELL OVER A
22 DECADE. A NEW HEADQUARTERS SHOULD BE GUIDED BY THE COUNTY'S
23 FACILITIES LOCATION POLICY, THE POLICY IDENTIFIED CENTRALITY
24 OF LOCATION CLOSE TO DOWNTOWN AND CENTRALLY LOCATED TO SERVE
25 THE NEEDS OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY: ACCESSIBILITY OF PUBLIC

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1 TRANSIT, ACCESS TO CONSTITUENTS AND COST AS CRITICAL FACTORS
2 FOR SITING COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS FACILITIES. MR.
3 CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, THE THIRD POINT I WISH TO MAKE IS THE
4 VERMONT CORRIDOR SATISFIES EACH OF THESE CRITERIA BUT
5 ADDITIONAL DUE DILIGENCE SHOULD BE DONE TO LAND ON THE MOST
6 APPROPRIATE SITE. HOWEVER, AN ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S
7 WORKFORCE DEMONSTRATES THAT KEEPING EMPLOYEES IN THE VERMONT
8 CORRIDOR IS MORE CONVENIENT TO THE HIGHEST PROPORTION OF
9 EMPLOYEES COMPARED TO MOVING THEM OUTSIDE OF THE CIVIC CENTER.
10 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION SHOULD LEAD THE EFFORT,
11 GIVEN THEIR RECENT SUCCESSES IN FINANCING AND CONSTRUCTION OF
12 THEIR NEW FACILITIES HEADQUARTERS. AND THEY'VE DONE IT WELL
13 AND THEY'VE DONE IT WITH QUITE A BIT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT FROM
14 THE ENTIRE BOARD, AND THEREFORE EACH OF US HAS CHOSEN TO HAVE
15 THEM WORK ON DIFFERENT PROJECTS. THE MOTION THAT IS
16 CIRCULATING BEFORE YOU IS SIMPLY TO TRANSFER THE APPROXIMATELY
17 \$400,000 IDENTIFIED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE IN THEIR
18 BOARD LETTER, THAT IS ITEM NO. 12, TO THE C. D.C. THE MOTION
19 DOES NOT APPROVE A PROJECT, SCOPE, BUDGETING, FINANCES OR
20 TIMELINE. THE FUNDING IS ALREADY APPROPRIATED AS A PART OF THE
21 ACTION THAT IS IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD LETTER, WHICH WAS GIVEN
22 TO THE BOARD A FEW WEEKS BACK. AND SO, FINALLY, C. D.C.'S
23 INITIAL STEPS SHOULD BE TO REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS WITH THE
24 RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO PROCEED. MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT ITEM IS

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1 BEFORE YOU, AND I SEEK THE SUPPORT OF THE BOARD TO CAUSE THIS
2 TO HAPPEN.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, THANK
5 YOU. I HAD-- I GUESS IT WASN'T READ IN, BUT I HAD REQUESTED
6 ITEM NO. 19-C BE CONTINUED FOR 30 DAYS SO THAT WE CAN ALL
7 UNDERSTAND THE FINANCING MECHANISM THAT MAY GO INTO PLAY. THIS
8 IS A VERY, AS YOU SAY, A VERY SIGNIFICANT PROJECT. IT'S A LOT
9 BIGGER THAN SOME OF THE OTHER C. D.C. PROJECTS WE DEALT WITH
10 LIKE COMMUNITY CENTERS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. THERE'S ALSO THE
11 ISSUE OF RANCHO AND SOME OTHER-- I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
12 WE'RE CLEAR, AND I THINK OUR STAFF HAS BEEN WORKING TOGETHER.
13 SO ON ITEM NO. 19, I WOULD JUST ASK FOR A 30-DAY CONTINUANCE.
14 AND THEN ON THE REMAINDER, 19-D, ARE YOU MOVING APPROVAL?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 19-D, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTIONS, SO ORDERED.

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** MR. CHAIR?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

24

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** GIVEN YOUR REQUEST TO CONTINUE 19-C FOR 30
2 DAYS, I'VE ASKED THAT WE MOVE FORWARD ITEM NO. 12, WE TAKE THE
3 \$400,000 IDENTIFIED IN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION THAT
4 I BELIEVE AS A CONSEQUENCE OF YOUR CONTINUANCE IS BEING HELD
5 RIGHT NOW, AND WE SET THAT ASIDE, SO IN THE EVENT IF A
6 DECISION IS MADE TO MOVE FORWARD, THAT MONEY IS IDENTIFIED.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE CAN MOVE ON THE OTHER ITEMS WITHIN
9 THE CONFINES AND CARVE OUT THE DOLLARS SET ASIDE FROM
10 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. TO MAKE SURE THAT MONEY IS AVAILABLE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD MAKE THAT MOTION. IS THERE A
15 SECOND? OKAY. WITH THAT, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** JUST A QUICK QUESTION ON ITEM NO.
22 1-D, IS THAT ALSO BEING CONTINUED FOR 30 DAYS?

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M SORRY?

25

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MOVED. IT'S RELATED.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK THEY'RE RELATED.

4

5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** IT WAS RELATED BUT ALSO RELATED TO
6 12, WHICH WAS JUST DIVIDED. BUT ITEM 1-D WILL BE CONTINUED FOR
7 30 DAYS?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK A QUESTION ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS IN
12 30 DAYS?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN WE GET A REPORT FROM THE C.E.O. ON THIS
17 BECAUSE THIS INVOLVES COUNTY-WIDE IMPLICATIONS? THE VERMONT
18 CORRIDOR IS IMPORTANT, SO IS THE WILSHIRE CORRIDOR, SO ARE A
19 NUMBER OF OTHER CORRIDORS THAT MEET THE CRITERIA. I JUST WANT
20 TO MAKE SURE THAT AS WE'RE MAKING A DECISION ABOUT MOVING
21 THAT, I GUESS IT'S A HEADQUARTERS, RIGHT? IT'S AT 6TH AND
22 VERMONT. WHO IS HEADQUARTERED THERE? IS THAT D.C.F.S.? MENTAL
23 HEALTH?

24

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE'S MENTAL HEALTH. THERE'S ALSO PARKS AND
2 REC AND THEN COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES IN THAT GENERAL
3 COMPLEX.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO AS WE LOOK TO RELOCATE THEM SOME PLACE, I
6 DON'T THINK WE SHOULD BE CONFINED TO JUST THE VERMONT CORRIDOR
7 BECAUSE THERE'S NOT THE ONLY CORRIDOR THAT MEETS OUR COUNTY
8 POLICY.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXACTLY.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I JUST WOULD LIKE THE C.E.O. TO WEIGH IN.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF MY 30 DAYS, SO
15 WE PUT EVERYTHING--

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THAT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IN THE MIXER.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S THE THRUST OF THE MOTION AS
22 AMENDED, MR. CHAIR.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I READ IT, WELL--

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

2

3 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO I'D MOVE IT AS AMENDED, MR. CHAIR.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE JUST APPROVED THE CONTINUANCE, CORRECT?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** RIGHT. FOR 19-C AND 1-D, THEY WERE
14 BOTH CONTINUED FOR 30 DAYS.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WISH IT TO BE CLEAR AS IT RELATES TO THE
17 \$400,000 FOR THE WORK TO BE DONE WITH RESPECT TO THE C. D.C.,
18 THAT IS SPECIFIED IN THE MOTION AS PURSUANT TO THE TALKING
19 POINTS, AND THAT WE COULD BEGIN THAT CO-TERMINOUSLY. THERE IS
20 NO REASON THAT I SEE THAT THAT CAN'T HAPPEN, MEMBERS OF THE
21 BOARD. THAT'S THE THRUST OF THE MOTION. IT DOES NOT CHOOSE TO
22 OBVIATE THE CONCERN OF THE CHAIR TO HAVE 19-C AND 1-D AS WELL
23 AS ITEM 12 BE VIEWED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AS
24 APPROPRIATE. THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE INCORPORATION OF UP TO

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1 400 AND THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION'S BUDGET SEEMS TO
2 ME TO BE WHOLLY APPROPRIATE AND CONSISTENT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE MOTION ON ITEM 12 WAS TO MOVE
5 THAT ITEM FORWARD AND HOLD BACK THE \$400,000 BECAUSE THAT WAS
6 THE CARVE OUT BECAUSE THAT WAS TIED TO 19-C. 19-C HAD BEEN
7 CONTINUED FOR 30 DAYS. THE 400,000 AND THE 19-C WILL BE IN ONE
8 PACKAGE COMING BACK IN 30 DAYS. THAT WAS MY MOTION.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT ESSENTIALLY OBVIATES THE THRUST OF
11 THE AMENDMENT, MR. CHAIR. AND AS I HAVE INDICATED, IT SEEMS TO
12 ME THAT WE'VE HAD A SUBSTANTIAL DELAY IN THIS EFFORT. I SEE NO
13 REASON FOR US NOT TO BE ABLE TO CAUSE THE C.D.C. TO MOVE
14 FORWARD CONSISTENT WITH THE MOTION. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT IT
15 IS CONTRARY TO THE THRUST OF THE EFFORT TO MOVE WITH THE DUE
16 DILIGENCE THAT YOU SEEK TO HAVE OVER THE 30-DAY PERIOD. A
17 DECISION HAD ALREADY BEEN MADE, AS YOU'LL RECALL, IN THE BOARD
18 LETTER WITH RESPECT TO THIS \$400,000. I THINK THAT UNDERNEATH
19 THIS IS A DISCUSSION THAT HAS GONE ON SINCE FEBRUARY OF 2013
20 WITH RESPECT TO WHAT OUR OVERARCHING POLICIES ARE FOR THE
21 REMOVAL OF LIGHT IN ANY GIVEN DISTRICT AND THE ENHANCEMENT OF
22 SERVICES IN THE OTHER DISTRICT. AND THERE HAS TO BE SOME
23 EQUITY AND BALANCE. AND THAT'S ESSENTIALLY WHAT THE THRUST OF
24 THE AMENDING LANGUAGE SEEKS TO DO. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I
25 WOULD HOPE THAT YOU FIND THIS CONSISTENT. BRING IT BACK AFTER

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1 30 DAYS. BUT LET'S GET ON WITH THE AMENDING LANGUAGE. I DO NOT
2 THINK IT IN ANY WAY IMPEDES, RETARDS OR DISRUPTS WHAT NEEDS TO
3 HAPPEN OVERALL FOR OUR COUNTY POLICY.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I WOULD DISAGREE IN THIS SENSE
6 THAT WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT EQUITY THROUGHOUT, THAT'S WHY YOU
7 HAVE TO PUT EVERYTHING INTO THE HOPPER. THAT ONE PROJECT
8 DOESN'T SUPERSEDE THE FINANCING MECHANISM FOR OTHER PROJECTS
9 THAT HAD BEEN AROUND AND READY TO ROLL, TOO. THE 400,000, IF
10 YOU MOVE FORWARD WITH THAT AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT, THEN YOU
11 ARE COMMITTING TO THE FACT THE C.D.C. IS GOING TO DO THE
12 PROJECT AT THE VERMONT CORRIDOR. WE DON'T EVEN KNOW THAT YET.
13 AND THAT'S WHAT MY CONCERN-- THAT'S THE REASON I WANTED TO
14 CARVE IT OUT TO TIE IT INTO THE VERMONT CORRIDOR BECAUSE WE'RE
15 NOT SURE. I MEAN, IF YOU APPROVE THE MONEY TO C. D.C., THEN
16 YOU'RE BASICALLY APPROVING THE PROJECT. AND I HAVE A PROBLEM
17 WITH THAT AT THIS POINT WITHOUT KNOWING ALL THE ANSWERS.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO, MR. CHAIR, LET ME JUST SIMPLY SUGGEST
20 THIS? WHY DON'T WE PLACE IT ON THE TABLE UNTIL WE CAN RESOLVE
21 IT A LITTLE BIT MORE?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

24

25 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM NO. 18.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE ITEM NO. 18. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE
3 A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS ON ITEM 18. WE WOULD ASK-- I'LL CALL YOU
4 UP FOUR AT A TIME. COME FORWARD. IF YOU'LL GET-- EVERYBODY IS
5 ADVOCATING THE SAME POSITION, SO WE'LL GIVE YOU A MINUTE EACH
6 TO SHARE WITH US YOUR THOUGHTS. JEAN FRANKLIN, SHANTE STINSON.
7 KIM MCGILL. AND JULIO MARQUEZ. ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD. IDENTIFY
8 YOURSELVES AND YOUR MINUTE WILL START. THANK YOU.

9

10 **JEAN FRANKLIN:** MY NAME IS JEAN FRANKLIN I'M THE EXECUTIVE
11 DIRECTOR OF UNITED JOB CREATION COUNCIL AND THE LOS ANGELES
12 ALLIANCE OF MINISTERS AND PASTORS, WE'RE A LARGE COLLABORATIVE
13 OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. WE'RE HERE
14 IN SUPPORT OF THE VOTE OF THE I.D.S, THE STATE I.D.S, APPROVED
15 I.D.S. AND WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF THOSE WHO
16 ARE COMING HOME FROM PRISON/PROBATION HAVE ALL OF THE RELEVANT
17 NECESSARY PAPERWORK, SUCH AS PHOTO I.D.S, BIRTH CERTIFICATES,
18 SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS, SO THAT THEY CAN BE ABLE TO RECEIVE A
19 JOB, BE ABLE TO GET INTO THE WORKFORCE SYSTEM AND GET THEIR
20 EDUCATION. SO IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU SUPPORT IT. AND WE,
21 THE COMMUNITY, ARE BEHIND YOU IN SUPPORT OF IT. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SO YOU DO SUPPORT ITEM 18,
24 THEN?

25

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1 **JEAN FRANKLIN:** YES, I DO.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, NO. EXCUSE ME, OKAY. JUST A QUICK
6 GROUND RULE. WE DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE EITHER FOR OR BOOING OR
7 ANYTHING LIKE THAT. IF YOU SUPPORT THE SPEAKER, JUST GIVE US A
8 QUIET SHOUT, OKAY? ALL RIGHT? OKAY, NEXT. GO AHEAD, WHOEVER'S
9 NEXT.

10

11 **SHANTE STINSON:** MY NAME IS SHANTE STINSON. I AM A MEMBER OF
12 Y.J.C., ALSO KNOWN AS YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. I'LL HERE TO
13 ASK FOR YOUR YES VOTE FOR AN I.D. FOR THOSE WHO ARE COMING
14 HOME SOON. I HAVE A RELATIVE WHO SERVED IN PRISON FOR A MURDER
15 CHARGE. HE WAS LATER FOUND NOT GUILTY. HE IS OUT WITH NO
16 RESOURCES AND HAS TWO CHILDREN THAT HE HAS TO TAKE CARE OF. HE
17 HAS NO RESOURCES OR NO SOURCE OF INCOME. THE CALIFORNIA
18 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION TRACKING TURNS IN
19 PRISON SHOW YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER THE AGE OF 25 HAVE THE HIGHEST
20 RATES. 72 PERCENT ARE REINCARCERATED WITHIN THREE YEARS. AND
21 THE HIGHEST RATES ARE NOT FOR PEOPLE WITH THE MOST SERIOUS
22 RECORDS. THE LARGEST ARE CAR AND PROPERTY THEFT. WITHOUT I.D.S
23 WE CANNOT ACCESS GOVERNMENT OR NONPROFIT JOB TRAININGS FOR OUR
24 PLACEMENT PROGRAMS. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I ASK CARLA FUENTES-QUIROZ TO
2 JOIN US AS WELL AS ERIC PREVEN.

3

4 **KIM MCGILL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KIM MCGILL FROM YOUTH
5 JUSTICE COALITION. WE'RE REALLY EXCITED THAT THIS MOTION IS
6 FINALLY BEFORE YOU. I WANT ASK THAT EVERYBODY WHO IS HERE TO
7 SUPPORT I.D.S FOR EVERYONE COMING HOME FROM LOCKUPS TO PLEASE
8 STAND. THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE. PLEASE STAND. ALL OF US
9 ARE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WERE IN THE SYSTEM AS YOUTH, ARE ADULTS
10 WITH FAMILY MEMBERS INSIDE. AND SURPRISINGLY THE CALIFORNIA
11 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION IS ACTUALLY THE
12 STRONGEST ADVOCATE ON THIS ISSUE. THEIR DATA IS REALLY CLEAR.
13 FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE IN A DRUG PROGRAM INSIDE, WHEN THEY COME
14 HOME, IF THEY'RE RELEASED TO A DRUG PROGRAM AND HAVE I.D.S
15 NECESSARY TO ENROLL IN THOSE DRUG PROGRAMS, LESS THAN 30
16 PERCENT OF THEM GO BACK INSIDE. COMPARED TO PEOPLE THAT ARE
17 RELEASED WITH NO I.D.S AND NO ACCESS TO DRUG TREATMENT, OVER
18 60 PERCENT OF THEM ARE RE-ARRESTED. FOR PEOPLE WHO RECEIVE
19 MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS INSIDE AND ARE RELEASED TO THE STREET
20 WITH NO I.D.S, NO ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT AND
21 OFTENTIMES WITHOUT EVEN THEIR MEDICATION, THEY ARE 11 PERCENT
22 HIGHER RATES OF RECIDIVISM THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP.

25

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1 **KIM MCGILL:** IT'S NO MYSTERY, SIR, WHY WE'RE ON THE STREET. WE
2 NEED TO EAT. AND WITHOUT I.D.S WE CAN'T ACCESS ANY RESOURCES
3 TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE. JUST ABIDE BY THE RULES. OKAY,
8 THANK YOU. YES?

9

10 **JULIO MARQUEZ:** MY NAME STREET JULIO MARQUEZ. I'M AN ORGANIZER
11 WITH YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. AND ALSO, AS SOMEONE THAT
12 SUFFERS FROM A DIFFERENT MENTAL ILLNESS. I AM MANIC DEPRESSIVE
13 AND I HAVE A LOT OF ISSUES, RIGHT. AND FOR PEOPLE LIKE ME WHO
14 HAVE GONE THROUGH THE SYSTEM AND HAVE EXPERIENCED LOCKUP, WHEN
15 YOU'RE COMING OUT, HOW ARE YOU SUPPOSED TO GET ANY RESOURCES
16 WHEN YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE AN I.D., WHEN YOU DIDN'T HAVE
17 TRANSCRIPTS, YOU CAN'T EVEN ACCESS DIFFERENT FORMS OF SCHOOL,
18 RIGHT? SO WE'RE TRYING TO SAY THAT WE'RE INVESTING IN OUR
19 YOUNG PEOPLE. YOU NEED TO SHOW US. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO SHOW
20 THAT WE'RE INVESTING IN YOUNG PEOPLE. AND THE BEST WAY TO
21 INVEST IN YOUNG PEOPLE IS TO HELP THEM GET THEIR LIVES BACK ON
22 TRACK, RIGHT? SO IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT FOLKS DID THAT LANDED
23 THEM IN LOCKUP. THE THING IS IF WE'RE ABOUT REHABILITATION AND
24 ACTUALLY CARING ABOUT PEOPLE AND TRYING TO CREATE A BETTER
25 SOCIETY, THEN WE NEED TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT FOLKS THAT

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1 SUFFER FROM MENTAL HEALTH ARE 6 TO 11 PERCENT MORE LIKELY TO
2 RETURN TO LOCKUP. SO THIS COULD ALL BE AVERTED WITH I.D.S, AND
3 SO THAT'S IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT AND THEN I'LL ASK DAYVON WILLIAMS
6 AND ARNOLD SACHS TO JOIN US, PLEASE.

7

8 **CARLA FUENTES:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CARLA FUENTES, I'M
9 A YOUTH ORGANIZER WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION AND I AM IN
10 FAVOR OF THE MOTION, NO. 18. AT THE AGE OF 13 WHEN I GOT OUT
11 OF CAMP, I REALIZED I NEEDED MY TRANSCRIPTS AND MY I.D. TO
12 ENROLL IN A SCHOOL. AND MANY OF THE STUDENTS WHEN THEY ARE
13 EXITING THE CAMPS AND THE JUVENILE HALLS, THEY EXIT WITHOUT
14 THEIR I.D.S, AND MANY OF THEM CANNOT ENROLL IN SCHOOL, AND THAT
15 VIOLATES THEIR PROBATION FOR UNDOCUMENTED YOUTH THIS IS MORE
16 ESSENTIAL, AS THEY CAN ACCESS THEIR _____ AND THIS CAN
17 JEOPARDIZE IT. MANY STUDENTS NEED THEIR STUDENT I.D.S FOR BUS
18 PASSES AND STUDENT DISCOUNTS AND TO ENROLL IN JOB TRAINING IN
19 SCHOOLS. MANY OF THEM NEED IT FOR HEALTHCARE. THEIR PROBATION
20 GETS VIOLATED AS MANY OF THEM DON'T ENROLL IN SCHOOL. AND FOR
21 THE ADULTS EXITING, THEY NEED SOME OF THEM TO LIKE ACCESS
22 PROGRAMS LIKE FOOD AND ALL THAT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP.

25

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
2 DISTRICT 3 AND I, TOO, SUPPORT THIS STEP IN THE CORRECT
3 DIRECTION. BILL KELLER IN THE "NEW YORK TIMES" HAD A PIECE
4 CALLED "AMERICA ON PROBATION" LAST WEEKEND IN OP ED AND HE
5 TALKED ABOUT OTHER GREAT IDEAS LIKE REGARDING SENTENCING. WE
6 NEED OUR LEGISLATORS TO HAVE THE POLITICAL WILL TO ROLL BACK
7 THE SENTENCING LAWS THAT ARE CURRENTLY WRONG. WE NEED
8 DIFFERENT KIND OF SUPERVISION. WE WANT CASEWORKERS TO GO OUT
9 INTO THE COMMUNITY. AND THIS ISSUE ABOUT IDENTIFICATION AND
10 GETTING PEOPLE TO AND FROM NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED IN A WAY THAT
11 CAN FACILITATE REENTRY. WE DON'T WANT FELONS WHO HAVE DONE
12 THEIR TIME NOT TO BE ABLE TO GET A LICENSE AT A BARBER SHOP OR
13 WORKING AS A BEAUTICIAN. WE WANT TO MAKE THE POSSIBILITY OF
14 EMERGING VERY, VERY REAL AND VERY POSITIVE. AND OBVIOUSLY
15 DIVERSION COURTS WHICH WE'VE TAKEN SOME STEPS IN THAT
16 DIRECTION FOR THE VETERANS, FOR THE MENTALLY ILL, THIS IS ALSO
17 A VERY, VERY GOOD THING. AND FINALLY I CAN SAY THAT THE
18 ELECTRONIC MONITORING--

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS-- EXCUSE ME, MR.
21 WILLIAMS AND THEN MR. SACHS AND THEN I'D ASK JUAN PENA TO JOIN
22 US AS WELL AS EMILIO LACQUES? MR. WILLIAMS?

23

24 **DAYVON WILLIAMS:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME
25 IS DAYVON WILLIAMS, I AM A MEMBER OF THE YOUTH JUSTICE

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1 COALITION RELEASED BACK INTO SOCIETY, FRESH START. I NO LONGER
2 AM LOCKED UP. REENTRY TO A POSITIVE, PRODUCTIVE FUTURE. WHERE
3 DO I START? UPON MY RELEASE FROM JAIL WHEN I CAME OUT, I HAD
4 NOT ALL MY IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS NEEDED TO START MY
5 REENTRY TO SOCIETY. I NO LONGER HAD A SOCIAL SECURITY CARD,
6 CALIFORNIA I.D., BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR MEDICAL RECORDS. HAVING
7 NONE OF THIS DELAYED ME, MADE ME TAKE A FEW STEPS BACK FROM
8 RECEIVING ANY NECESSARY SERVICES SUCH AS HEALTHCARE, COMMUNITY
9 PROGRAMMING OR EVEN START THE PROCESS OF APPLYING FOR JOBS.
10 ALL THAT IS NEEDED. I HAVE EPILEPSY, AND I REMEMBER HAVING A
11 LOT OF SEIZURES BECAUSE I WAS RELEASED WITH NO MEDICATION.
12 ACCORDING TO THE CALIFORNIA CORRECTION DEPARTMENT OF THE
13 REHABILITATION, FOR ALL PEOPLE WHO NEED ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE
14 SERVICES GO BACK TO PRISON 6 TO 11 PERCENT HIGHER THAN OTHERS
15 RETURNING HOME. I'M HERE TO ASK THE SYSTEM TO REDIRECT
16 POLICIES INVOLVING RELEASE OF INCARCERATION.

17
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP.

19
20 **DAYVON WILLIAMS:** PLEASE SUPPORT US WITH A POSITIVE RELEASE
21 PLAN. SUPPORT MOTION 18.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS, PENA, MR. LACQUES?
24 AND THEN FANYA BARUTI.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. MY
2 QUESTION IS: A DEFINITION OF VITAL RECORDS. WHAT MAKES UP A
3 VITAL RECORD? YOU KNOW A GRANT DEED THAT'S PUT IN AT THE
4 REGISTRAR'S OFFICE WOULD BE CONSIDERED A VITAL RECORD. HOW
5 ABOUT A COUNTY CONTRACT? WOULD THAT BE CONSIDERED A VITAL
6 RECORD? HOW ABOUT A STATE LAW? WOULD THAT BE CONSIDERED A
7 VITAL RECORD? YOU HAD SOME SMART ASS REMARKS WHEN I WROTE UP
8 THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, SUPERVISOR
9 KNABE. BUT YOU HAD A GRANT DEED THAT WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2007
10 NAMING THE PASADENA GOLD LINE. YOU HAD A COUNTY CONTRACT IN
11 2011 FOR THE PASADENA GOLD LINE. BUT YOU HAD A STATE LAW THAT
12 WAS ENACTED IN 2011 IN OCTOBER. TEN MONTHS, NINE MONTHS AFTER
13 YOUR CONTRACT THAT NAMED THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY.
14 SO IF THE COUNTY COULD MAKE CRAP UP, WHAT'S A VITAL RECORD?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, THIS IS ITEM 18, TIME'S UP.
17 MR. PENA? I KNOW WHAT THE ITEM IS. YOU READ IT. MR. PENA?
18 FOLLOWED BY MR. LACQUES, BARUTI, AND THEN-- [APPLAUSE.] DON'T
19 APPLAUD. HE'S NOT HELPING YOUR CAUSE. [LAUGHTER.] TANISHA
20 DENARD. OKAY, NEXT?

21

22 **JUAN PENA:** HELLO, MY NAME IS JUAN PENA AND I'M A YOUTH
23 ORGANIZER WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. I'M HERE TODAY TO
24 ASK YOU FOR A YES VOTE ON I.D.S AND BIRTH CERTIFICATES FOR
25 PEOPLE COMING OUT OF LOCKUP. IT'S ESSENTIAL TO GIVE YOUTH

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1 ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT, SCHOOLS AND DRUG ABUSE PROGRAMS. YOUTH
2 WHO HAVE HAD DRUG TREATMENT ON THE OUTSIDE WENT BACK TO PRISON
3 AT THE RATE OF 29.3 PERCENT, WHILE FOR YOUTH WHO DIDN'T HAVE
4 ACCESS DRUG ABUSE PROGRAMS GO BACK TO PRISON AT THE RATE OF 72
5 PERCENT. NUMEROUS MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY HAVE BEEN TO PRISON AND
6 COME OUT WITH NO IDENTITY. IT TAKES MONTHS TO GET EVERYTHING
7 THEY NEED SO THEY COULD START LOOKING FOR A JOB OR GOING TO
8 SCHOOL. THEY COME OUT WITH NO RESOURCES AND THEN THEY HAVE A
9 CERTAIN TIME TO GET TO THEIR PROBATION OFFICER'S OFFICE. AND
10 IF THEY MISS THAT APPOINTMENT, THEY COULD GO BACK TO PRISON.
11 THIS IS THE CHEAPEST WAY TO GIVE PEOPLE A FUTURE BEYOND BARS.
12 THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

15

16 **EMILIO LACQUES:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EMILIO, AND I'M AN
17 ORGANIZER WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. I'M ASKING YOU FOR
18 A YES VOTE. THIS ITEM AFFECTS BOTH FAMILY REUNIFICATION,
19 SUPPORTS ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION AND REDUCES RECIDIVISM
20 FOR COUNTY JAIL. MY COUSIN WAS BORN IN MEXICO AND HE WAS
21 UNDOCUMENTED WHILE LIVING HERE IN LOS ANGELES TRYING TO WORK
22 TO MAKE MONEY FOR HIS FAMILY. WHEN HE WAS RELEASED FROM COUNTY
23 JAIL, HE WAS FORCED TO LIVE IN THE SHADOWS BECAUSE OF FEAR OF
24 DEPORTATION. BECAUSE HE HAD NO IDENTIFICATION, HE HAD NO
25 ACCESS TO RESOURCES WHEN RELEASED AND HAD MANY BARRIERS TO

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1 LIVING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE. OUR TAX DOLLARS ARE PAYING FOR
2 PUBLIC SERVICES. OUR FAMILIES WHO ARE COMING HOME FROM LOCKUP
3 DESERVE ACCESS TO THESE SERVICES. WE APPRECIATE YOU PUTTING
4 THIS ITEM ON THE AGENDA, BUT WE HAVE TO SEE AND REMIND
5 OURSELVES THAT L.A. COUNTY LOCKS UP MORE PEOPLE THAN ANY
6 COUNTY IN THE WHOLE WORLD. THE LEAST THE COUNTY CAN DO IS
7 PROVIDE PROPER IDENTIFICATION FOR JUST \$24 FOR EACH PERSON SO
8 THEY CAN RE-ENTER BACK INTO SOCIETY AND CREATE A POSITIVE
9 ENVIRONMENT AND A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE FOR THEM AND THEIR
10 FAMILIES. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] PLEASE. PLEASE
13 ABIDE BY THE RULES. THANK YOU.

14

15 **FANYA BARUTI:** MY NAME IS FANYA BARUTI. I'M ORGANIZER FOR ALL
16 OF US OR NONE. IF YOU BELIEVE IN REENTRY, IF YOU BELIEVE IN
17 RE-ALIGNMENT, IF YOU BELIEVE IN MAKING SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE
18 THE PROPER IDENTIFICATION, THE PROPER DOCUMENTS, THEN I'M SURE
19 THAT WE'LL GET A FIVE YEA VOTE FOR THIS. IT IS ONLY ESSENTIAL
20 THAT YOU UNDERSTAND THAT PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO CHANGE THEIR
21 LIVES. AND IN SO DOING, THEY NEED TO HAVE THE PROPER
22 IDENTIFICATION TO BE IDENTIFIED EVEN IF THEY'RE STOPPED BY THE
23 POLICE. SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO ASK
24 YOU TO DO THAT WHICH IS RIGHT. YOU HAVE THE POWER TO DO IT. WE

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1 EXPECT YOU TO DO IT. SO I'M HOPING THAT ALL OF YOU VOTE YES ON
2 THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TANISHA DENARD AND NYABINGI
5 KUTI, AND THEN ANGELA CHUNG, AND SKYE COSTELLOE.

6

7 **TANISHA DENARD:** GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS TANISHA DENARD. I'M
8 WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. FIRST OFF, I WOULD LIKE TO
9 THANK YOU FOR HELPING US TAKE THE INITIATIVE TO TAKE UP
10 SUPPORT, WITH HELPING OUR PEOPLE WHEN REENTERING THE
11 COMMUNITY. I, AS WELL AS MANY OF OUR PEERS, HAVE BEEN
12 INCARCERATED AND SENT HOME UNDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS BUT NOT
13 THE PROPER RESOURCES TO FULFILL THEM. I WAS RELEASED FROM
14 JUVENILE HALL AND I WAS DEMANDED TO ENROLL WITHIN SCHOOL IN
15 FIVE DAYS NOT TO MENTION THAT I DIDN'T EVEN HAVE THE CORRECT
16 DOCUMENTS. STRUGGLING TO GET TOGETHER MY BIRTH CERTIFICATE,
17 IMMUNIZATION CARD AND EVEN MY SOCIAL WAS STRESSFUL WHEN IT ALL
18 COULD HAVE BEEN HANDED TO ME UPON MY RELEASE. HOW WOULD WE
19 MEET OUR REQUIREMENTS WITH NO RESOURCES? WE NEED TO MAKE SURE
20 WE GIVE PEOPLE WHAT THEY NEED INSTEAD OF SENDING THEM HOME
21 UNDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND EXPECTING THEM TO DO SOMETHING.
22 I FEEL LIKE IF WE HAD THE ESSENTIAL NEEDS THAT WE NEED WHEN WE
23 GET OUT, AND Y'ALL WANT TO VIOLATE US, IF YOU GAVE US THE
24 PROPER NEEDS, WE WOULDN'T HAVE A REASON TO BE VIOLATED. WE
25 GAVE YOU A TAP CARD, WE GAVE YOU A BIRTH CERTIFICATE. SO

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1 THAT'S A REASON TO BE VIOLATED, INSTEAD OF SENDING US OUT AND
2 EXPECTING US TO GET ALL OF THIS STUFF AND THEN GO VISIT THE
3 PERSON WE'RE SUPPOSED TO SEE. SO REALLY URGE YOU YOU ALL TO
4 HELP PASS ITEM 18. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

7

8 **NYABINGI KUTI:** GREETINGS, BOARD. MY NAME IS NYABINGI KUTI. I'M
9 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES REINTEGRATION
10 COUNCIL. OUR MAIN GOAL IS TO INCREASE RESOURCES IN THE RE-
11 ALIGNMENT PROCESS TO THOSE FORMERLY INCARCERATED SO THEY WILL
12 NOT RECIDIVATE. I WANT TO START OUT BY THANKING SUPERVISOR
13 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR SPONSORING THIS MOTION. AND I REALLY
14 HOPE THAT THIS CAN BE A CATALYST TO INCREASING RESOURCES IN
15 THE RE-ALIGNMENT PROCESS. AS HAS BEEN STATED HERE, LOS ANGELES
16 IS REALLY GROUND ZERO FOR MASS INCARCERATION. AND THE POLICIES
17 WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT HAS CAUSED THIS
18 EPIDEMIC OF MASS INCARCERATION NOT ONLY IN L.A. BUT THROUGHOUT
19 THE COUNTRY. SO THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT STEP TO GETTING
20 PEOPLE RESOURCES, I.D.S AND OTHER STATE AND FEDERAL RESOURCES,
21 COUNTY RESOURCES THAT CAN HELP THEM TO REINTEGRATE INTO
22 SOCIETY. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALBERTO C AND EDDIE JOHNSON,
25 PLEASE JOIN US. GO AHEAD. WHOEVER'S NEXT.

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1

2 **SKYE COSTELLOE:** HI, MY NAME IS SKYE COSTELLOE. I'M A CONCERNED
3 COMMUNITY MEMBER. IF PEOPLE GETTING OUT OF LOCKUP DON'T HAVE
4 ACCESS TO THEIR I.D.S, BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND OTHER PAPERWORK
5 NECESSARY FOR LIFE ON THE OUTSIDE, IT CREATES A SITUATION
6 WHERE MOST PEOPLE CANNOT FIND ACCESS TO HOUSING, JOBS,
7 HEALTHCARE, SOCIAL SERVICES, EDUCATION AND OTHER RESOURCES
8 NECESSARY FOR DAILY SURVIVAL. IT CREATES A SITUATION WHERE IT
9 IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE FOR PEOPLE GETTING OUT OF LOCKUP TO
10 SURVIVE BY LEGAL MEANS, FORCING THEM OUT OF NECESSITY INTO
11 SURVIVAL ACTIVITIES THAT CAN AND DO SEND THEM RIGHT BACK TO
12 JAIL. THIS ISN'T JUSTICE. FORMERLY INCARCERATED PEOPLE HAVE
13 SUFFERED ENOUGH ABUSE AND TRAUMA. THEY DON'T NEED TO BE
14 FURTHER PUNISHED BY THE COUNTY DENYING THEM RESOURCES THAT
15 THEY NEED TO STAY ALIVE AND OUT OF JAIL. SO PLEASE RETURN
16 I.D.S, BIRTH CERTIFICATES AND ALL OTHER IDENTIFICATION
17 IMMEDIATELY TO PEOPLE GETTING OUT OF LOCKUP, PLEASE. VOTE YES
18 ON 18. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

21

22 **ANGELA CHUNG:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ANGELA CHUNG AND I'M A
23 POLICY ASSOCIATE WITH THE CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND. I WANTED TO
24 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND THE REST OF THE
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL LEADERSHIP ON THIS

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1 ISSUE. THIS IS A COMMON SENSE SOLUTION. AND REAL SAFETY AND
2 REAL COST-EFFECTIVE APPROACH TO WORKING WITH PEOPLE,
3 ESPECIALLY YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE INCARCERATED, OUR MOST
4 VULNERABLE YOUTH, AND GETTING OUT AND GETTING ACCESS TO
5 SCHOOLS, JOBS, TO MENTAL HEALTH, TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT
6 PROGRAMS. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE LARGEST JUVENILE JUSTICE
7 SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY, BETWEEN 1,500 TO 2,000 PEOPLE ARE
8 LOCKED UP ON ANY DAY IN OUR PROBATION CAMPS AND HALLS. AND SO
9 IN SUPPORTING A YES ON THIS BILL REALLY SUPPORTS THEIR SAFETY
10 AND THEIR REENTRY BACK INTO THEIR HOMES AND THEIR EDUCATION
11 AND WITH THEIR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I ASK SUSAN BURTON AND MELLO
14 DESIRE TO JOIN US, PLEASE.

15

16 **EDDIE JOHNSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EDDIE JOHNSON. A
17 MEMBER OF FRIERLY HIGH YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. AFTER SERVING
18 16 YEARS IN PRISON, I WAS RELEASED WITHOUT ANY I.D., ANY
19 IDENTIFICATION SO I COULD GET ON AND BE A PRODUCTIVE CITIZEN.
20 AND WITHOUT THESE THINGS, IT MADE IT VERY HARD FOR ME TO GET
21 MEDICAL CARE. IT MADE IT VERY HARD FOR ME TO GET A JOB. IT
22 MADE IT VERY HARD FOR ME TO GET THINGS THAT I NEEDED, EVEN
23 HOUSING, BECAUSE I COULDN'T PROVE WHO I WAS. IF I HAD HAD
24 THESE THINGS, IT WOULD HAVE MADE IT OF EASIER. THERE ARE MANY
25 OF US COMING OUT AND WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING. WE ARE SIMPLY

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1 ASKING FOR YOUR HELP IN ASSISTING US TO DO WHAT IT WOULD TAKE
2 TO GET US TO LIVE A PROPER LIFE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

5

6 **ALBERTO CASSERES:** MY NAME'S ALBERTO CASSERES. I'M YOUTH
7 ORGANIZER WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. AND IT SHOULD BE A
8 RIGHT FOR OUR PEOPLE COMING HOME FROM LOCKUP FOR THEM TO HAVE
9 I.D.S. NOT ONLY I.D.S BUT BIRTH CERTIFICATES, SOCIAL SECURITY
10 CARDS, IMMUNIZATION RECORDS, SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS, AND A FREE
11 BUS PASS. ALL MY FRIENDS THAT I KNOW THAT HAVE BEEN JUST
12 RECENTLY RELEASED HAVE GONE BACK IN IN LESS THAN TWO WEEKS
13 BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE THE PROPER PAPERWORK TO ENROLL IN
14 SCHOOL, TO ENROLL IN JOBS, APPLY FOR JOBS AND GET JUST THE
15 BASIC RESOURCES. AND I JUST WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO Y.J.C.
16 AND ALL THE FREE L.A. STUDENTS THAT CAME THROUGH TO SUPPORT
17 TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME BECAUSE HE HAS ANOINTED
22 ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO HEAL
23 THE BROKENHEARTED, TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES AND
24 RECOVERY OF THE SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET LIBERTY TO THOSE
25 WHO ARE OPPRESSED AND TO PROCLAIM THE ACCEPTABLE YEAR OF THE

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1 LORD. SO I HAVE 1700 SIGNATURES OF CHURCH MEMBERS, OF PASTORS
2 FROM WEST ANGELES, CHRISTIAN CRENSHAW CENTER, FAITHFUL CENTRAL
3 AND CITY OF REFUGE WHO SAY THAT THEY WANT THEIR TAX MONEY AND
4 THEY DON'T MIND THEIR TAX MONEY GOING INTO POSITIVE RESOURCES
5 RATHER THAN INCARCERATION. SO WHEN IS IT GOING TO END THAT WE
6 SAY THAT WE CARE ABOUT THESE KIDS AND YOU GUYS MAKE PUBLIC
7 PHOTOGRAPHS AND YOU COME TO EVERY ORGANIZATION AND YOU DON'T
8 ACTUALLY GIVE FUNDING TO HELP REDUCE INCARCERATION? WHEN IS IT
9 ACTUALLY GOING TO END? I AM ONLY HERE FOR THE BEGINNING. AND I
10 WILL NOT SUCCUMB. I'VE BEEN HERE FOR A YEAR SAYING THE SAME
11 THING AND THE STORY HAS NOT CHANGED. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUSAN?

14

15 **SUSAN BURTON:** MY NAME IS SUSAN BURTON. I'M THE EXECUTIVE
16 DIRECTOR OF A NEW WAY OF LIFE REENTRY PROJECT. AND
17 COMMISSIONER FOR THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
18 INSPECTIONS. SO I'M TASKED WITH GOING INSIDE THE COUNTIES
19 FACILITIES AND LOOKING AT THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH PEOPLE ARE
20 BEING LOCKED UP IN. AS I SAID THE LAST TIME THIS MOTION WAS
21 HEARD, THIS IS JUST GOOD PUBLIC SAFETY. AND WHAT I WANT TO
22 ACTUALLY SAY IS THAT ANY ONE OF YOU WHO GOES UP AGAINST THIS
23 MOTION AND DOES NOT VOTE IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION IS VOTING
24 TO NOT HAVE PUBLIC SAFETY IN L.A. COUNTY, ENHANCED BY
25 PROVIDING PEOPLE WITH I.D.S AS THEY'RE RELEASED FROM COUNTY

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1 FACILITIES. YOU KNOW, YOU GO TO PRISON AND YOU GET A STATE
2 I.D. BUT YOU COME HOME AND YOU CAN'T GET AN I.D. SO AN I.D. IS
3 WHAT EVERYONE NEEDS WHEN THEY COMING BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] PLEASE. JUST ONE
6 LAST CALL. NYABINGI KUTI? ALREADY CALLED? DID YOU SPEAK
7 ALREADY? OKAY, THANK YOU. THAT'S ALL. MARK DELGADO. SINCE THIS
8 IS A RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM, MARK, DO YOU WANT TO COME UP AND
9 GIVE US A SUMMARY, PLEASE?

10

11 **MARK DELGADO:** HELLO, MR. CHAIRMAN, HONORABLE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARK DELGADO. I'M THE EXECUTIVE
13 DIRECTOR FOR THE COUNTYWIDE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CORONATION
14 COMMITTEE. THIS ITEM AS YOU KNOW, IS A REPORT BACK IN RESPONSE
15 TO YOUR BOARD'S REQUEST FOR PLANS TO IMPLEMENT PROCESSES THAT
16 WOULD HELP EX-OFFENDERS OBTAIN BIRTH CERTIFICATES AND STATE
17 IDENTIFICATION CARDS. AND THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT SEVERAL
18 DEPARTMENTS HAVE ADDRESSED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE C.E.O. AND
19 C.C.J.C.C. AND NOTABLY PROBATION, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
20 REGISTRAR-RECORDER AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES.
21 AND I WOULD JUST, I GUESS, START OFF BY SAYING THE WORK ON
22 THIS HAS BEEN EXTREMELY COLLABORATIVE AND THERE'S ACTUALLY A
23 LOT THAT HAS BEEN DONE IN THE PAST YEAR AND MUCH IS ALREADY IN
24 PLACE. THE C.E.O. PRESENTED TO YOUR BOARD A MEMO ON JANUARY
25 14TH THAT DOCUMENTS SOME OF THESE PROCESSES. AND I CAN GIVE A

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1 GENERAL OVERVIEW OF WHERE THIS STANDS AND THEN WOULD CERTAINLY
2 INVITE DEPUTY CHIEF BINGHAM AND LT. AGUILAR FROM THE SHERIFF'S
3 DEPARTMENT TO ADD TO MY COMMENTS OR ADDRESS ANY SPECIFIC
4 QUESTIONS YOU HAVE. VERY SIMPLY, WHAT WE LOOKED AT AS A GROUP
5 AND THE DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING HERE, WERE FOUR
6 DIFFERENT POPULATION CATEGORIES: YOUTH IN CAMP, YOUTH WHO WERE
7 ON FIELD SUPERVISION, ADULTS IN COUNTY JAIL AND ADULTS ON
8 PROBATION SUPERVISION OR A.B.109 SUPERVISION. AND THE PROCESS
9 LOOKS VERY SIMILAR FOR ALL THOSE POPULATIONS. REGISTRAR-
10 RECORDER HAS ACTUALLY ENGAGED IN M.O.U.S WITH PROBATION AND
11 WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHERE STAFF IN THOSE DEPARTMENTS
12 ARE DEPUTIZED TO TAKE BIRTH CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS,
13 FACILITATE THOSE APPLICATIONS AND RETURN BIRTH CERTIFICATES TO
14 THE INDIVIDUALS AS THEY ARE NEEDED. THERE HAS BEEN FUNDING SET
15 ASIDE ON THE JUVENILE SIDE TO ADDRESS THE COST OF THOSE BIRTH
16 CERTIFICATES FOR YOUTH IN CAMP AND YOUTH WHO ARE ON FIELD
17 SUPERVISION. AND THAT PROCESS HAD BEEN IN PLACE. LIKE I SAID,
18 IT'S BEEN THE SAME MODEL THAT'S NOW APPLIED TO THE ADULT
19 POPULATIONS BOTH IN COUNTY JAIL AND ON FIELD SUPERVISION WITH
20 PROBATION. THE STATE I.D.S IS THE SECOND PHASE. AND THE
21 PROCESS THERE IS A REFERRAL PROCESS TO D.M.V. THERE HAVE BEEN
22 EFFORTS TO CONNECT WITH D.M.V. ON THIS ISSUE AND TO WORK
23 CLOSELY WITH THEM ON PROVIDING STATE I.D.S. AND AT THIS POINT
24 THE REFERRALS ARE BEING MADE AT D.M.V. AS NEEDS ARISE. THE
25 WAIVERS TO REDUCE THE FEE FOR STATE I.D. CARDS ARE FACILITATED

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1 BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS. AND IF
2 INDIVIDUALS WOULD ATTEND AND VISIT THE D.M.V. OFFICE JUST LIKE
3 YOU OR I WOULD TO GET THE NECESSARY I.D. SO THAT'S WHAT'S
4 CURRENTLY IN PLACE. AND I WOULD CERTAINLY INVITE DEPUTY CHIEF
5 BINGHAM OR LT. AGUILAR TO ADD ANYTHING TO THOSE COMMENTS.

6

7 **REAVES BINGHAM:** YES, HONORABLE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
8 I WOULD JUST ECHO WHAT MR. DELGADO COMMUNICATED ALREADY. THE
9 PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN THIS WORK IN OUR
10 PROBATION CAMPS FOR ABOUT A YEAR NOW. AND WE EXTENDED THE
11 PROGRAM TO FIELD SERVICES, HAVING HAD JUVENILE DEPUTIES WHO
12 HAVE BEEN TRAINED AND DEPUTIZED TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION
13 FOR THE BIRTH CERTIFICATES. WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF TRAINING
14 ADULT DEPUTIES TO DO THE SAME THING. AND WE WILL ALSO ENGAGE
15 IN AN OUTREACH EFFORT TO LET INDIVIDUALS KNOW WHO COME TO OUR
16 AREA OFFICES THAT THIS SERVICE IS AVAILABLE. SO WE'RE STILL
17 VERY MUCH IN THE ROLLOUT STAGE AND HOPE TO SEE OUR NUMBERS
18 INCREASE AS WE PROGRESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD. THE NEXT PHASE AS
19 MARK INDICATED WOULD BE TO FORGE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR THE NEXT STEP IN TERMS OF
21 SECURING THE ACTUAL IDENTIFICATION.

22

23 **LT. AGUILAR:** MY NAME IS LIEUTENANT AGUILAR AND I'M THE
24 LIEUTENANT THAT OVERSEES THE COMMITTEE TRANSITION UNIT. IN
25 REGARDS TO MY UNIT, BACK IN DECEMBER, OUR PERSONNEL RECEIVED

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1 TRAINING REGARDING THE BIRTH CERTIFICATES, AND ASSISTING
2 INDIVIDUALS IN OBTAINING THOSE BIRTH CERTIFICATES, SO WE
3 INITIATED THAT PROGRAM THAT'S BEEN IN PLACE. IN ADDITION, IN
4 REGARDS TO DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, I'VE BEEN IN DIALOGUE
5 WITH THEM AND ACTUALLY THEY CAME OUT TO OUR FACILITY ON
6 JANUARY 17TH, TOURED OUR FACILITY. THIS WAS A REGION SIX
7 ADMINISTRATOR. AND ALSO MET WITH ONE OF OUR CHIEFS AND HAD A
8 DISCUSSION REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF THEM ACTUALLY
9 COLLOCATING IN THAT FACILITY WITH US. AND A FEW OF THE ITEMS
10 THAT CAME UP SPECIFICALLY DEALT WITH STATE FUNDING, STAFFING,
11 THE BUILDING SPECS ITSELF ALONG WITH SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR
12 THEIR WORK SPACE AS RELATED TO CONFIDENTIALITY. SO FOLLOWING
13 THAT MEETING, A FOLLOW UP WAS DONE ON THE 24TH OF JANUARY TO
14 SEE IF THERE WAS AN UPDATE ON ANY OF THEIR REQUIREMENTS, TO
15 SEE IF POSSIBLY A WORKAROUND ON ANY OF THOSE ITEMS SO WE COULD
16 MOVE FORWARD. AND AT THIS TIME, THEY'RE ASKING FOR A LITTLE
17 TIME TO GO AHEAD AND EVALUATE WHAT WOULD BE NECESSARY.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENT? IF
20 NOT, THEN OPEN TO COLLEAGUES. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. LET ME
23 JUST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE DEPARTMENTS WHO HAVE COLLABORATED TO
24 DATE TO ENGAGE IN THE PROCESS TO SHOW THAT THIS CAN BE
25 ADDRESSED AND THAT THIS BOARD AND THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS

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1 ARE SERIOUS ABOUT REDUCING RECIDIVISM AND EMBRACING WHAT WE
2 HAVE SAID IS IMPORTANT TO US BY WAY OF REENTRY. PROGRESS HAS
3 BEEN MADE ON PROVIDING VITAL RECORDS, IN PARTICULAR BIRTH
4 CERTIFICATES TO ADULTS AND YOUTH WHO FACE A DIFFICULT PATH
5 TOWARDS REINTEGRATING BACK INTO THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES.
6 AND I TAKE THE POINT OF VIEW THAT WE CAN AND SHOULD BE
7 FACILITATORS IN THIS REGARD. AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE DO
8 SO. WHY? BECAUSE PROVIDING THESE VITAL RECORDS IS FUNDAMENTAL
9 IF WE ARE TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM AND TO IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY.
10 NOT TO DO SO IS ESSENTIALLY TO ENHANCE RECIDIVISM, TO DEEPEN
11 RECIDIVISM AND TO FORESTALL REENTRY IN THE APPROPRIATE WAYS.
12 BUT WE HAVE A BIT MORE WORK TO DO, ALTHOUGH SOME PROGRESS HAS
13 BEEN MADE. I'M PLEASED TO HEAR THE REPORT FROM THE RESPECTIVE
14 DEPARTMENTS AS TO WHAT HAS BEEN DONE AND THE FOLLOW UP THAT'S
15 GOING ON. I THINK THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COLLABORATION
16 BETWEEN D.M.V. THROUGH AN AGREED-UPON PROCESS WOULD PROVIDE
17 EX-OFFENDERS WITH THE MOST BASIC OF REENTRY SERVICES. THE
18 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND LIEUTENANT FOR YOUR INITIATIVE AND
19 MAKING SURE THAT THOSE CONVERSATIONS ARE TAKING PLACE, WE WISH
20 TO APPROPRIATELY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. TO MR. DELGADO: KEEP
21 PUSHING. MORE TO BE DONE. AND WE CAN MAKE SOMETHING HAPPEN.
22 PROBATION, MS. REEVERS OBVIOUSLY PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE. IT
23 SEEMS TO ME AN M.O.U. WOULD COORDINATE SERVICE DELIVERY AND
24 STRENGTHEN THE EFFORT. SO THE MOTION I BROUGHT FORTH AND AM
25 BRINGING FORTH SEEKS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DIRECTION TO THE

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1 APPROPRIATE ENTITIES. I WANT TO ADD TO THAT THE COUNTY-WIDE
2 CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COMMITTEE THAT HAS DONE QUITE A
3 BIT OF LIFTING ON THIS ALREADY. AND IT IS TO ESSENTIALLY
4 INSTRUCT COLLABORATION WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
5 PROBATION TO PURSUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN M.O.U. WITH THE
6 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO FACILITATE EFFORTS
7 TO PROVIDE STATE-ISSUED IDENTIFICATION TO YOUTH AND ADULT
8 OFFENDERS AND TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS AS TO THAT PROGRESS.
9 AND SO WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS INCLUDE A PLAN ON THE
10 FEASIBILITY OF COLLOCATING A D.M.V. STAFF AT BOTH THE JAIL AND
11 PROBATION FACILITIES TO COORDINATE SEAMLESS PROCESSING OF
12 IDENTIFICATION CARDS FOR EX OFFENDERS. AND WE WANT TO REMAIN
13 EX OFFENDERS. IF WE DON'T DO SOME OF THIS, THEY WILL, IN FACT,
14 REOFFEND. THE DATA IS CLEAR AND WE WANT TO AVOID THAT. WE ARE
15 PUSHING BACK ON RECIDIVISM. AND SO WE WANT TO IDENTIFY OPTIONS
16 TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS CAN HAPPEN IN TERMS OF THE
17 IDENTIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS. AND, FINALLY, CAUSE THE C.E.O. TO
18 WORK WITH C.C.J.C.C. AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS
19 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ON THE PROPOSED ALLOCATION TO
20 FACILITATE BOTH BIRTH CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS FOR ADULTS
21 SUPERVISED BY THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS. THAT WILL BE THE
22 MOTION. IT IS BEFORE YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES. THE
23 TESTIMONY THAT YOU HEARD HAS BEEN AUTHENTIC. IT'S BEEN
24 COMPELLING. AND I CAN TRUST THAT WE HAVE A YOU UNANIMOUS VOTE

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1 TO TAKE THIS FORWARD AND COME BACK WITH A REPORT BACK IN 30
2 DAYS. I THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE IN YOUR MOTION
5 VERSUS WHAT IS ALREADY IN FRONT OF THE C.C.J.C.C. AS IT
6 RELATES TO A LOT OF THESE ITEMS LIKE THE D.M.V. ISSUE AND
7 OTHERS THEY'RE ALREADY WORKING ON? SO WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT JUST SPECIFIES IN THE MOTION, IT TALKS
10 ABOUT C.C.J.C.C., IT ALSO TALKS ABOUT COMING BACK IN 30 DAYS.
11 AND IT JUST GIVES DEFINITION TO IT SO THAT ALL OF US ARE CLEAR
12 AS TO WHAT WE ARE EXPECTING AND IT COMES IN THE FORM OF AN
13 INSTRUCTION.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** INSTRUCTION OR JUST A REPORT BACK?

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** INSTRUCTION FOR THE REPORT BACK.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. IS
20 THERE-- THE CHAIR WILL SECOND IT. ARE THERE ANY OTHER COMMENTS
21 IN REGARDS TO THE MOTION? OKAY. ROLL CALL?

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE ROLL CALL? SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** NAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1

2 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE.

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4 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AYE.

7

8 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

9

10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NAY.

11

12 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR KNABE?

13

14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: AYE. MOTION CARRIES.

15

16 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: MOTION CARRIES. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: PLEASE, PLEASE, HOLD YOUR APPLAUSE,

19 PLEASE. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NEXT ITEM.

20

21 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: THE NEXT ITEM WE'RE GOING BACK IF

22 YOU ARE READY, THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE 1-D, 12, 19-C.

23

24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THE REMAINDER IS ITEM 19-C, I THINK THE

25 ONLY ISSUE-- WE HELD THEM ALL BUT 19-C IS BEING CONTINUED FOR

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1 30 DAYS. ITEM 12 IS THE ONE STILL UNDER DISCUSSION. I DON'T
2 KNOW, I HAVE NOT HEARD FROM MY STAFF. I DON'T KNOW WHERE
3 EVERYTHING IS AT.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT, MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I CAN ASK THE
6 HEAD OF THE C.D.C. TO COME FORWARD FOR A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS
7 AND PERHAPS THAT WOULD CLARIFY IT TO OUR COLLECTIVE
8 SATISFACTION. IS MR. ROGAN HERE? THANK YOU. JUST A QUICK
9 OVERVIEW BASED UPON WHAT YOU UNDERSTAND THAT CAN BE DONE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF YOU'RE
12 GOING TO LEAVE, PLEASE, JUST LEAVE QUIETLY, THANK YOU, SO WE
13 CAN CONTINUE WITH THE MEETING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SEAN ROGAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SEAN ROGAN, EXECUTIVE
16 DIRECTOR, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ALSO WITH ME IS
17 DOUG COHEN, CONSULTANT. HE'S THE ONE WHO WORKED WITH ME IN
18 REGARDS TO THE RELOCATION TO ALHAMBRA. IN TERMS OF THE
19 ANALYSIS THAT WE WOULD NEED TO PERFORM, I BROKE IT DOWN INTO A
20 COUPLE OF DIFFERENT AREAS. FIRST, YOU KNOW THERE'S THE
21 LOGISTICS. INFORMATION WE NEED, SUCH AS A REVIEW OF THE
22 LEASES, SOME OF THE FUNDING SOURCES, ARE THOSE FUNDING SOURCES
23 FEDERAL OR STATE? CAN RENT, IN FACT, BE CHARGED TO THOSE
24 FUNDING SOURCES? WHAT ARE THE NEEDS OF THE AGENCIES? WHAT ARE
25 THE FOOTPRINTS? ARE THERE SPECIAL LOCATION NEEDS? SOME OF THE

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1 SITE LOCATIONS, IS THIS THE BEST SITE FOR DEVELOPMENT? ARE
2 THERE BETTER SITES AVAILABLE? ON THE FINANCIAL SIDE, LOOKING
3 AT WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL COSTS IN TERMS OF THIS SITE VERSUS
4 ANOTHER SITE, LOOKING TO REALLY DO AN ANALYSIS BASED ON THE
5 COUNTY'S RELOCATION PLAN. AND THEN IN TERMS OF PROJECT
6 STRUCTURING, LOOKING AT THE TYPES OF FUNDING THAT MAY BE
7 AVAILABLE. CAN YOU DO A CAPITALIZED LEASE? DO YOU DO IT WITH
8 TAX-EXEMPT BONDS? DO YOU NEED TO DO IT WITH TAXABLE BONDS? AND
9 THEN FOR THAT, WE WOULD TAKE A LOOK AT THOSE AREAS SIMILAR TO
10 WHAT WE DID WHEN WE CONSOLIDATED OUR LEASES AND MOVED THEM TO
11 ALHAMBRA AND THEN TRIED TO BRING BACK THAT ANALYSIS TO THE
12 BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND THAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WITHIN 60
15 DAYS, IS THAT CORRECT?

16

17 **SEAN ROGAN:** YES, SIR.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** OR LESS? SO WHAT'S THE NUMBER OF DAYS THAT
20 YOU WOULD NEED IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH THAT?

21

22 **SEAN ROGAN:** I THINK 60 DAYS IS A GOOD NUMBER BECAUSE MY
23 UNDERSTANDING IN TALKING WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, THEY HAVE
24 SOME INFORMATION IN THIS REGARDS. THOUGH I DON'T KNOW HOW SOON
25 OR HOW RECENT IT'S BEEN UPDATED. AND, YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY THE

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1 MARKET'S CHANGED TODAY VERSUS WHAT IT WAS SIX MONTHS AGO OR
2 EVEN A YEAR AGO, SO THERE WILL BE SOME OF THAT SITE LOCATION
3 UPDATE THAT WILL BE NEEDED.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. AND HAVE YOU PROVIDED AN
6 ESTIMATE FOR HOW MUCH THIS WOULD COST FOR US TO HAVE C.D.C. TO
7 DO THIS, MR. ROGAN? IF SO, WHAT IS THAT ESTIMATE,
8 APPROXIMATELY?

9

10 **SEAN ROGAN:** YOU KNOW, I THINK CONSERVATIVELY, WE WOULD WANT TO
11 KEEP IT UNDER \$100,000. I DON'T KNOW WHAT TYPE OF CONSULTANTS
12 I MAY NEED TO TRY TO BRING ON BOARD TO ASSIST IN THAT REGARDS.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES,
15 THE NUMBER THAT HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN GIVEN TO US AND PUT INTO
16 THE BUDGET BY THE OFFICE OF THE C.E.O. FOR THE PRE-
17 DEVELOPMENT-RELATED WORK WAS \$400,000. WE HEARD FROM C.D.C.
18 THAT IT COULD BE DONE FOR APPROXIMATELY \$100,000. AND THAT'S
19 SIMPLY FOR PLANNING-RELATED PURPOSES TO COME BACK RATHER THAN
20 THE PRE-DEVELOPMENT WORK. AND SO WITH THAT IN MIND, MR.
21 CHAIRMAN, LET ME JUST SIMPLY SUGGEST THAT THE BOARD TAKE THE
22 AMENDING LANGUAGE THAT I HAVE PUT FORWARD TO HAVE C.D.C. DO
23 THE WORK FOR \$100,000 OR LESS AND COME BACK TO THE BOARD WITH
24 THIS. I DO NOT WISH TO DISTURB THE APPROXIMATELY \$75 MILLION
25 MORE THAT'S RELATED TO EVERYONE ELSE'S PROJECTS, BUT I TRUST

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1 THAT YOU WILL APPRECIATE THAT I'M DOING MY LEVEL BEST TO
2 REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT AND THE ASSETS
3 THEREIN. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, I WOULD
4 APPRECIATE YOUR CONSIDERATION WITH RESPECT TO THE AMENDMENT
5 FOR C.D.C. TO DO THE INITIAL WORK TO COME BACK TO US IN 60
6 DAYS FOR NO MORE THAN \$100,000 RATHER THAN THE ORIGINAL MOTION
7 THAT HAD BEEN PUT FORTH IN THE C.E.O.'S REPORT OF \$400,000. IF
8 THERE'S A SECOND.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF I MAY BEFORE THERE'S A COMMENT ON THIS.
11 WE'RE MORE THAN WILLING TO WORK WITH C.D.D. BUT IT NEEDS TO BE
12 RECOGNIZED WE'VE ALREADY STARTED THIS WORK. WE'RE WORKING
13 RIGHT NOW WITH AN ENTITY TO UPDATE OUR INFORMATION. WE SHOULD
14 HAVE THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE WELL WITHIN THE 60 DAY PERIOD,
15 PROBABLY SHORTER. IF C.D.D. HAS A SPECIAL EXPERTISE THAT COULD
16 HELP US, WE'D BE HAPPY TO COLLABORATE WITH THEM. BUT A LOT OF
17 WORK HAS BEEN DONE. SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF WORK HAS BEEN DONE.
18 SO I'D HATE TO SEE A DUPLICATION OF EFFORT WITH THAT, THE
19 MONEY ASSOCIATED WITH THAT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, SIR, MR. YAROSLAVSKY.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TO DATE, MR. CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, THE
3 REASON FOR ASKING FOR THIS LEVEL OF SUPPORT AND DRILL DOWN TO
4 EXPERTISE IS THAT IT WOULD SEEM TO ME SOME DEFERENCE IS DUE
5 THE DISTRICT THAT IS IMPACTED. AND TO DATE IT HAS NOT HAPPENED
6 AT THE LEVEL THAT I WISH FOR IT TO HAPPEN, THEREFORE I'M
7 MAKING AN APPEAL TO THIS BOARD TO RESPECT THE WISHES OF THE
8 SUPERVISOR IN QUESTION HERE SO THAT WE CAN MOVE THIS PROJECT
9 FORWARD. IT WILL COME BACK FOR SCRUTINY. IT'S ALREADY 75
10 PERCENT LESS THAN WHAT HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN THOUGHT NECESSARY.
11 IT DOES NOT PRECLUDE COLLABORATION WITH ANY OTHER DEPARTMENTS.
12 OBVIOUSLY THAT'S ALWAYS NECESSARY. I WISH TO INVITE YOU TO
13 SUPPORT MY MOTION TO HAVE C.D.C. TO BE THE LEAD IN THE EFFORT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, COULD I SPEAK TO THIS? I JUST--
16 - I DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE AN ISSUE WITH HOW THE ULTIMATE
17 OUTCOME EVOLVES, BUT I FIRST LEARNED ABOUT THIS WHEN I SAW THE
18 GREEN SHEET ON FRIDAY NIGHT. I HAVE NO CLUE AS TO WHAT'S
19 INVOLVED. I CAN ONLY SUSPECT, HYPOTHESIZE WHAT MAY BE GOING
20 ON. AND I THINK WE ARE OWED-- TYPICALLY IT'S THE C.E.O.'S
21 OFFICE THAT IN THE 19 YEARS I'VE BEEN HERE THAT HAS ALWAYS
22 HANDLED THESE REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT ISSUES. AND THEY CAN
23 SOMETIMES BE HARD NOSED ABOUT THINGS AND SOMETIMES COOPERATIVE
24 BUT THAT'S WHERE THE RESPONSIBILITY RESTS. AND THEY HAVE A
25 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY PORTFOLIO OF REAL ESTATE

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1 HOLDINGS AND ASSETS. AND THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT I CAN
2 RECALL THAT SOMETHING HAS COME TO US ON A GREEN SHEET ITEM OF
3 THIS POTENTIAL MAGNITUDE THAT THERE'S NOT--

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S ON THE PROJECT LIST.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME JUST FINISH MY COMMENT, OKAY? WHICH
8 DOES NOT HAVE-- FROM WHAT I CAN TELL AN ADEQUATE VETTING FROM
9 THE PEOPLE, THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS.
10 SO I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN BY "IT'S ON THE PROJECT LIST."

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'LL TELL YOU IN A MOMENT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS IS A STUDY WHICH IS GOING TO LEAD TO A
15 PROJECT. SO THIS \$100,000 WILL LEAD TO SOMETHING THAT'S AKIN
16 TO \$75 MILLION. AND COME NEXT TIME, YOU'LL SAY THAT THERE WAS
17 \$100,000 THE BOARD APPROVED BACK IN JANUARY. SO WE'RE
18 PREGNANT. LET'S DELIVER THE BABY. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT.
19 BEFORE I WANT TO GET PREGNANT, I WANT TO KNOW A LITTLE BIT
20 MORE ABOUT THE ISSUE. AND ALL I THINK--

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I CAN ASSURE YOU THERE'S NO DESIRE TO
23 IMPREGNATE YOU HERE. WE ARE NOT GOING THERE. [LAUGHTER.]

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WILL NOT HAPPEN.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THAT'S ALSO IN THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
5 C.E.O.'S OFFICE, TO KEEP ME FROM GETTING IMPREGNATED.

6 [LAUGHTER.] ALL DON WAS ASKING AND I SUPPORT IT IS A DECENT
7 KIND OF 30 DAYS IS TOO LONG, THEN I WOULD SAY PUT THIS OVER,
8 THIS PARTICULAR ITEM OVER FOR TWO OR THREE WEEKS, YOU SAY
9 YOU'RE ALREADY IN THE MIDST OF DOING THIS STUFF. I'D LIKE TO
10 GET A REPORT FROM YOU BEFORE WE PULL THE TRIGGER ON THIS. IF
11 IT'S TWO WEEKS OR THREE WEEKS, HAVE IT CALENDARED ON THE
12 AGENDA SO WE CAN UNDERSTAND THIS IN SOME CONTEXT. THIS IS NOT
13 THE WAY TO DO BUSINESS, IN MY OPINION, IS TO PUT SOMETHING
14 LIKE THIS ON A GREEN SHEET AT 5 O'CLOCK ON A FRIDAY WHEN NONE
15 OF US KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT AND HAVE OUR STAFFS GET AN EMAIL
16 SAYING "IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, GIVE US A CALL." WE DO HAVE
17 QUESTIONS. AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO RESOLVE IT IN 48 HOURS. GIVE
18 US THE TIME TO JUST GET OUR ARMS AROUND THIS. AND IT MAY BE
19 FINE. BUT WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE TO ME IS THE DECISION HAS ALREADY
20 BEEN MADE, AT LEAST BY YOU. I DON'T BEGRUDGE YOU THAT. THAT
21 YOU WANT TO GET THIS 6TH AND VERMONT PROPERTY VACATED IT IS A
22 LOUSY BUILDING, NO QUESTION ABOUT IT, AND YOU WANT TO KEEP IT
23 IN THE VERMONT CORRIDOR. THAT MAY BE A GOOD RESULT. THERE ALSO
24 BE MAY SOME OTHER ALTERNATIVES. AND I THINK WE NEED AS A
25 BOARD, WE NEED TO KNOW FROM OUR HIRED HANDS IN THE C.E.O.'S

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1 OFFICE WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING EVERYTHING, WHAT ARE
2 THE OPTIONS OUT THERE? VERMONT CORRIDOR IS NOT "THE" ONLY
3 CORRIDOR. IT'S A DARN GOOD ONE. WE HAVE A LOT OF STUFF ON THE
4 VERMONT CORRIDOR FROM NORTH TO SOUTH, BUT IT'S NOT THE ONLY
5 CORRIDOR. AND I THINK WE NEED TO KNOW THAT BEFORE WE INVEST A
6 NICKEL TOWARDS PRE-PLANNING FOR SOMETHING THAT WE DON'T
7 UNDERSTAND. THAT'S ALL I'M SAYING. SO GIVE US TWO WEEKS TO GET
8 COMFORTABLE WITH THIS OR THREE WEEKS, WHATEVER THE APPROPRIATE
9 TIME. I DON'T THINK IT SHOULD TAKE MORE THAN THAT. AND WE'LL
10 BE-- AND EVERYTHING MAY WORK ITS WAY OUT IN THE END, ANYWAY.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** APPRECIATE THE INTERVENTION, SUPERVISOR
13 YAROSLAVSKY. THE DOCUMENT THAT WAS GIVEN-- INTERVENTION, I
14 ASSURE YOU. THE DOCUMENT THAT WAS CIRCULATED TO ALL BOARD
15 OFFICES APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS AGO IS BEFORE US TODAY AS A
16 PART OF THE BOARD LETTER FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. LET
17 ME DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO THE S.D.-2 PROJECTS. IT MAKES
18 REFERENCE TO THE VERMONT CORRIDOR CONSOLIDATION STUDY. IT'S
19 BEEN HERE ALONG WITH S.D.-1 PROJECTS, YOUR PROJECT, THE JOHN
20 ANSON FORD THEATER, FOR EXAMPLE, AND THE RANCHO AND THE FIFTH
21 DISTRICT'S SANTA CLARITA SHERIFF'S STATION. NONE OF THESE
22 PROJECTS ARE NEW TO ME. ALL OF THEM ARE HERE. THEY HAVE BEEN
23 HERE BEFORE. THE EXTENT OF WHICH BEING SUGGESTED HERE NOW IN
24 LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT WE ESTABLISHED THAT THIS HAS BEEN OUT
25 FOR AT LEAST A FEW WEEKS, NOT ON THE GREEN SHEET SIMPLY FRIDAY

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1 IS TO SHIFT FROM THE VERMONT CORRIDOR STUDY CONSOLIDATION
2 STUDY AT \$400,000 BY THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO THE COMMUNITY
3 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO DO THIS PRE-PLANNING FOR \$100,000.
4 THAT'S THE ONLY CHANGE THAT IS BEING WROUGHT. NOT A NEW
5 PROJECT. NOTHING MYSTERIOUS ABOUT THAT. THE CORRESPONDENCE
6 BETWEEN S.D.-2 AND THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE GOES BACK TO FEBRUARY
7 OF 2013. THE MORE PUBLIC ISSUE OF THE DEFERRED MAINTENANCE AND
8 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ALLOCATIONS AS ATTACHMENT A ON BOARD
9 LETTER FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. AND THAT LIST OF PROJECTS,
10 WHICH I'M SURE YOU ARE AWARE AND FAMILIAR IS WHAT WE ARE
11 ESSENTIALLY DISCUSSING. NOT A FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIAL. BUT
12 BASICALLY THAT WHICH HAS BEEN IN PLACE FOR QUITE A WHILE.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEN WHY WAS IT ON THE GREEN SHEET IF IT WAS
15 ALREADY IN THE ITEM?

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT WAS A MOTION TO AMEND IT.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WAS ON THE GREEN SHEET? I DON'T WANT TO
20 GET INTO IT.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT WAS TO TRANSFER THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
23 C.D.C. RATHER THAN THE C.E.O.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT--

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS THAT'S MY CONCERN AT
3 THIS POINT. THAT'S WHY I ASKED FOR THE 30-DAY CONTINUANCE WAS
4 THE FACT THAT THIS PIECE IS SIGNIFICANT. IT MAY BE AT THE END
5 OF THE DAY THE RIGHT WAY TO GO, BUT TO PROCEED WITHOUT PUTTING
6 A WHOLE-- ALL THE OTHER PROJECTS THAT ARE ON ITEM 12 AS WELL
7 AS THE VERMONT CORRIDOR.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I SAY PROCEED WITH THEM. I SAY PROCEED
10 WITH THE--

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT YOU'RE MAKING ANOTHER DECISION TO
13 MOVE THE VERMONT CORRIDOR INTO THE HANDS OF THE C.D.C., AND
14 I'M NOT SURE AT THIS POINT. THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING FOR THE
15 CONTINUANCE, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING IT THE
16 RIGHT WAY. AT THE END OF THE DAY, THAT MAY BE RIGHT. BUT THAT
17 IS A VERY, VERY SIGNIFICANT CHANGE.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. AND WHAT I'M ESSENTIALLY SAYING
20 IS THIS, MR. CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES. THERE'S \$75 MILLION HERE. I
21 CHOOSE NOT TO ADVERSELY AFFECT ANY OF THE BALANCE OF THOSE
22 RESOURCES THAT ARE DISTRIBUTED IN SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1
23 THROUGH 5. THE ONE AMENDMENT THAT I'M HOPING THAT THE BOARD
24 WILL ACCOMMODATE IS ESSENTIALLY TO HAVE THE CONSOLIDATION
25 STUDY HEADED BY C.D.C., WHICH WILL RETURN TO US WITHIN 60

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1 DAYS. AND RATHER THAN IT BE FOR \$400,000, THEY INDICATE THAT
2 THEY WILL BE BACK WITH A REPORT FOR LESS THAN \$100,000. THAT'S
3 THE EXTENT OF WHAT'S BEING REQUESTED. THERE IS TRANSPARENCY
4 THAT ATTACHES TO IT AS IT RELATES TO THE HEAD OF THE
5 DEPARTMENT SO INDICATING. I DON'T QUITE KNOW WHY THAT'S
6 DIFFICULT TO ACCOMPLISH.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOT DIFFICULT TO ACCOMPLISH IF WE
9 UNDERSTAND THE TOTALITY OF WHAT WE'RE ATTEMPTING TO DO HERE.
10 THAT'S MY ISSUE. WE KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN WORK DONE IN
11 VERMONT CORRIDOR. WE KNOW THERE'S BEEN WORK DONE ON RANCHO AND
12 OTHER PIECES TO THIS HUGE PUZZLE. I'M NOT SURE THAT WHAT
13 SHAWN'S OPERATION WOULD DO WOULD NOT BE DUPLICATED. AT LEAST
14 PUT THAT IN THE MIX TO BE DISCUSSED WITH WHAT THE C.E.O.'S
15 OFFICE HAS DONE UP TO THIS POINT TO SEE EXACTLY WHERE WE'RE AT
16 AND BRING BACK. THAT'S ALL I ASK FOR IN MY 30-DAY CONTINUANCE.
17 ITEM 12 WAS TO APPROVE EVERYTHING BUT THAT 100 OR 4, WHATEVER
18 THAT MONEY IS, TIE THAT INTO 19-C. COME BACK IN 30 DAYS AND
19 HOW THAT WHOLE THING FITS AND WHETHER IT SHOULD GO TO C.D.C.
20 OR STAY IN THE C.E.O. OR WHATEVER THE PROJECT MAY BE. BECAUSE
21 I THINK PART OF IT IS YOUR FRUSTRATION IN THE EXPEDITIOUS
22 NATURE OF IT NOT BEING HANDLED QUICKLY ENOUGH. I DON'T HAVE A
23 PROBLEM WITH THAT. WHAT I HAVE A PROBLEM IS I JUST WANT TO
24 KNOW WHERE I'M AT WITH ALL THESE OTHER PROJECTS THAT ARE IN
25 THE MIX. AND BEFORE I AGREE TO MOVE ONE PROJECT TO C.D.C., I

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1 WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S NO OTHER IMPACT TO EITHER
2 FUNDING MECHANISMS OR BONDING CAPACITY, ALL THOSE ISSUES. AND
3 SO THAT'S WHY I ASKED FOR THE 30-DAY CONTINUANCE.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT WE HAVE A REPORT
6 BACK. AND WHAT I'M ESSENTIALLY SEEKING TO ACCOMPLISH IS TO
7 HAVE C.D.C. TO BE THE LEAD ON IT. AND THEY WILL COMMUNICATE
8 APPROPRIATELY WITH THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AT THE END OF THE DAY, I MAY BE PREPARED
11 TO SUPPORT THAT. BUT I'M NOT PREPARED TO SUPPORT THE
12 COMMITMENT TO C.D.C. TO MAKE THEM THE LEAD TODAY. THAT'S ALL
13 I'M SAYING, BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW WHERE THIS CAME UP. ALL THE
14 PROJECTS ARE THERE, YOU KNOW THAT, WE KNOW THAT, I AGREE.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOTHING CHANGES.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY OF HOW
19 THAT WORKS OUT--

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** FOR THIS ONE PROJECT. THIS ONE LITTLE
22 PROJECT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** VERMONT CORRIDOR IS NOT ONE LITTLE
25 PROJECT.

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT IT IS ONE OF MANY. IT'S \$400,000 OUT
3 OF \$75 MILLION. AND IT'S TOO MUCH TO EXPECT THAT WE CAN MAKE
4 THAT ADJUSTMENT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE DOLLAR AMOUNT IS NOT THE ISSUE HERE.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S ALL WE'RE COMMITTING TO.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, YOU'RE COMMITTING TO HAVE C.D.C. DO
11 IT. AND WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE C.E.O. IS ON THIS ISSUE OR
12 WHERE C.D.C. SHOULD BE WORKING TOGETHER ON THIS.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEY SHOULD BE. THEY SHOULD BE.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CALL THE ROLL. ALREADY DID.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE FIRST ITEM IS CONTINUE
19 ITEM 19-C FOR 30 DAYS. I MADE THAT MOTION. I BELIEVE THERE WAS
20 A SECOND. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO CONTINUE ITEM 19-C FOR 30
21 DAYS? HEARING NONE, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** IT WOULD BE 19-C AND 1-D.

24

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND 1-D, OKAY. THE REST OF THE ITEM
2 BEFORE US IS THE AMENDING MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
3 ON ITEM NO. 12. IS THAT CORRECT?

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M SORRY?

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** . NO. SO ON ITEM NO. 12, WHAT WAS
8 ASKED WAS TO DIVIDE THE RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVE EVERYTHING
9 BUT THE \$400,000.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE REASON WAS, I SAID APPROVE
12 EVERYTHING BUT THE 400,000, TO PUT THAT PART OF 19-C UNDER
13 CONTINUANCE FOR 30 DAYS. AND THAT DISCUSSION BEING THE MIX
14 SHOULD BE THE C.D.C. AND THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO WORK THAT OUT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK A QUESTION ABOUT THIS?

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF WE CONTINUED ITEM 19-C, AND 1-D, WHICH IS
21 THE PART THAT TRANSFERS THE MONEY TO THE C.D.C., THE ONLY
22 THING-- AM I CORRECT IN THIS, THIS IS A QUESTION-- THAT THE
23 ONLY THING RELATING TO THE VERMONT CORRIDOR IN ITEM 12 IS THE
24 LINE ITEM THAT SAYS \$400,000 FOR THE VERMONT CORRIDOR.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF THAT
4 MONEY TO THE C.D.C., IS THAT CORRECT?

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD RECOMMEND, I DON'T SEE WHY WE WOULD
9 OBJECT TO JUST APPROVING ITEM 12 AS IS. AND WITHOUT THE 1-D
10 AND 19-C, I GUESS IT IS, WHICH WE CONTINUED, WE'LL GET THE
11 REPORT BACK. IN THE MEANTIME, THE WHOLE THING MOVES FORWARD
12 WITH THE 400,000.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE 400,000 WILL BE SET ASIDE FOR THE STUDY
15 FOR THE VERMONT CORRIDOR.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHETHER IT'S THE C.D.C. OR YOU.

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHATEVER.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT NOW IT WOULD BE YOU. IN 30 DAYS IT
22 COMES BACK, WE DECIDE WE WANT IT SEND IT OVER TO C.D.C., IT
23 WILL BE C.D.C. BUT THE MONEY IS APPROPRIATED AND EARMARKED FOR
24 THAT PURPOSE.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 400,000 WILL BE EARMARKED FOR THE
2 VERMONT CORRIDOR.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE DON'T HAVE TO SEGREGATE THAT FROM THE
5 REST OF IT.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO THEN ITEM 12 IS BEFORE US AS
8 RECOMMENDED. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION?

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I OBJECT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TO ITEM 12?

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** INDEED.

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THIS IS A FOUR VOTE MATTER.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ROLL CALL.

19

20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 12, THE ITEM IS BEFORE
21 YOU. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

24

25 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1

2 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: NO.

3

4 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

5

6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AYE.

7

8 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

9

10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NO.

11

12 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: SUPERVISOR KNABE?

13

14 SUP. KNABE: AYE.

15

16 SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER: MOTION FAILS.

17

18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ALL RIGHT, MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD MOVE THE

19 REASON IT'S A FOUR VOTE ITEM IS BECAUSE THERE'S A FIRE

20 DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION IN HERE. I MOVE WE TAKE THE FIRE

21 DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION OUT OF THIS PACKAGE AND THEN MOVE THE

22 REMAINDER OF IT, WHICH WOULD MAKE IT A THREE-VOTE ITEM. IS

23 THAT CORRECT? I SO MOVE.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WAIT A MINUTE. LET'S SPECIFY IF THAT'S THE
2 CASE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WE'RE GOING TO ASK COUNTY COUNSEL.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXACTLY. AND WHERE'S THE FIRE DEPARTMENT
7 ITEM?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE IS A TRANSFER OF FUNDS COMING-- GOING TO
10 A FIRE DEPARTMENT PROJECT, FOR A MAINTENANCE PROJECT.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IN S.D.-2, AND BECAUSE IT'S MOVING FROM OUR
15 GENERAL FUND TO THE FIRE DISTRICT BECOMES A FOUR-VOTE ITEM. IF
16 AS THE MOTION STATES, IF WE CARVE THAT OUT RIGHT NOW AND WE
17 SET THAT ASIDE TO COME BACK AT A FUTURE DATE, WE CAN MOVE
18 FORWARD WITH THE BALANCE OF THE ITEMS ON A THREE-VOTE ITEM.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THERE'S A LOT OF SPEAKING ON
21 BEHALF OF S.D.-2 HERE IN TERMS OF THIS FIRE STATION 58 FOR
22 \$465,000. I THINK THE SUPERVISOR FOR THE SECOND DISTRICT HAS
23 ESTABLISHED THAT HE'S CAPABLE OF REPRESENTING THE INTERESTS OF
24 THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND SO WE NEED SOME PARLIAMENTARY
25 GUIDANCE HERE. THE MOTION FAILED FOR THE LACK OF GARNERING THE

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1 APPROPRIATE VOTES. DO WE HAVE A RECONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM
2 BEING MADE AT THE SUGGESTION OF THE PARTY THAT DIDN'T PREVAIL?
3 AND IS THAT CONSISTENT WITH STANDARD PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE
4 OR NOT, COUNTY COUNSEL?

5

6 **RICHARD WEISS, ASS'T. COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
7 BOARD, BECAUSE THE MOTION WAS VOTED ON AND FAILED, MR.
8 YAROSLAVSKY WOULD BE NOT ON THE PREVAILING SIDE. SO
9 RECONSIDERATION WOULD BE NECESSARY IF THE ENTIRE ITEM WAS
10 DISAPPROVED, IT WAS NOT APPROVED FOR FAILURE TO OBTAIN FOUR
11 VOTES. SO ONE OF THE OTHER MEMBERS THAT VOTED AGAINST THE ITEM
12 WOULD HAVE TO BE ON THE PREVAILING SIDE IN THIS CONTEXT AND
13 WOULD HAVE TO INITIATE THE RECONSIDERATION MOTION.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, MR. WEISS. WHAT I'D
16 LIKE TO SUGGEST, THEN, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT WE PROCEED WITH
17 ADOPTING OF THE ITEMS AS I ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED. AND I WOULD
18 REQUEST AGAIN FOR A SIMPLE CONSIDERATION OF THE CONSOLIDATION
19 STUDY AND NAMING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AS LEAD
20 IN COOPERATION WITH THE C.D.C. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THAT'S
21 STRAIGHTFORWARD, SIMPLE AND UNCOMPLICATED. OTHERWISE THE \$75
22 MILLION GETS PUT ON HOLD. AND IF YOU WANT TO CONTINUE THIS ONE
23 WEEK, THE WHOLE MATTER FOR ONE WEEK UNTIL WE RESOLVE IT, I'M
24 PREPARED TO MOVE THAT.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WILL SECOND THAT. THAT WOULD BE MY
2 SUGGESTION TO CONTINUE IT ONE WEEK.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. ITEM 12 WILL BE CONTINUED
7 ONE WEEK.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I UNDERSTAND SOMETHING? IF WE CAN
10 CONTINUE ITEM 12 FOR ONE WEEK, WHY CAN'T WE DEAL WITH--

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BECAUSE I WAS THE MAKER OF THE MOTION.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, I HAVE THE FLOOR.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU DID. I WAS ON THE PREVAILING SIDE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAD THE FLOOR, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS. I DID
19 NOT MOVE RECONSIDERATION. WE HAD AN ITEM-- PARDON? I CAN'T
20 HEAR YOU.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** HE'LL ANSWER.

23

24 **RICHARD WEISS:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS CORRECT. THE MOTION WOULD
25 FIRST NEED TO BE RECONSIDERED AND THEN CONTINUED.

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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHICH MOTION?

3

4 **RICHARD WEISS:** ITEM 12 WHICH FAILED.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHAIR, I MOVE
7 RECONSIDERATION OF THE ITEM TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL NOW THAT IT'S RECONSIDERED, THE ITEM IS
10 BEFORE US.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO NOW YOU CAN AMEND IT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I MOVE THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PORTION
15 WHICH MAKES THIS ITEM A FOUR-VOTE ITEM BE SEGREGATED FROM THE-
16 - SEPARATED FROM THE ITEM 12.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SECOND DISTRICT PIECE OF BUSINESS, ZEV.
19 MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU VOTED AGAINST IT. I DIDN'T VOTE AGAINST
20 IT.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I DON'T SPEAK FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT. I
23 WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOU RESPECT WHAT'S TRYING TO
24 HAPPEN IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. THE SECOND DISTRICT.

25

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE SECOND DISTRICT?

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE FIRE STATION. THE VERMONT CORRIDOR.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** VOTE FOR IT, DAMMIT. YOU CAN VOTE FOR IT YOU
6 VOTED AGAINST YOUR OWN FIRE STATION.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DON'T LET YOUR IMPREGNATION GET YOU TOO
9 EXCITED, OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE NOT JUST CONTINUE IT A WEEK?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET'S GIVE THEM A WEEK.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CONTINUE IT FOR A WEEK.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL DEFER TO THE CHAIR.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, ITEM 12 WILL BE CONTINUED ONE
22 WEEK.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

25

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ADJOURNMENTS, STARTS WITH ZEV.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT THIRD DISTRICT?

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M DONE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ADJOURNMENTS? BEFORE WE GO TO PUBLIC
8 COMMENT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MR.
11 CHAIRMAN. THE FIRST ONE IS I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
12 M. HENRY ROSS WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
13 WIFE OF 29 YEARS, LINDA EDER ROSS. THREE CHILDREN, KATHERINE
14 ROSS, WIFE OF MICHAEL GOVAN, C.E.O. AND DIRECTOR OF THE LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS. JANE ROSS AND DAVID ROSS. A
20 DAUGHTER CONSTANCE PREDECEASED HIM. ALSO A BROTHER, ALLEN,
21 SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY FRIENDS.
22 I'D ALSO LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF HELEN
23 ZIMAN, THE MOTHER OF RICHARD ZIMAN WHO WAS KNOWN TO MANY OF
24 US, THE WIDOW OF THE LATE CHARLIE ZIMAN, GREAT FRIENDS OF MINE
25 AND BARBARA'S OVER THE YEARS. AND, THIRD, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT

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1 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PETE SEEGER, LEGENDARY SINGER AND
2 SONGWRITER, ONE OF THE GREAT FOLKS ARTISTS IN THE HISTORY OF
3 THE WORLD. POLITICAL ACTIVIST WHO PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY AT THE
4 AGE OF 94. I WON'T READ HIS WHOLE OBITUARY, BUT IT IS-- HE IS
5 PART OF THE AMERICAN SONG BOOK OF HIS 94 YEARS. "THE HAMMER
6 SONG," "TURN, TURN, TURN", "WHERE HAVE ALL THE FLOWERS GONE?",
7 "WE SHALL OVERCOME," "GOOD NIGHT IRENE," "WIMOWEH," AMONG MANY
8 OTHERS THAT HE PENNED AND SANG AND MADE FAMOUS. I ASK THAT ALL
9 MEMBERS ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PETE SEEGER. THAT'S IT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS. I HAVE ADJOURNMENT IN
12 MEMORY OF JOHN DODSON.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN? ONE MORE, SORRY. YEAH, I HAVE
15 ONE MORE. I'M SORRY, MR. CHAIRMAN. RABBI HARVEY FIELDS,
16 LONGTIME LEADER AND RABBI EMERITUS AT WILSHIRE BOULEVARD
17 TEMPLE PASSED AWAY A FEW DAYS AGO AT THE AGE OF 78. NATIVE OF
18 PORTLAND, OREGON, RABBI FIELDS GRADUATED FROM U.C.L.A., WAS
19 ORDAINED IN 1963 AT THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE, RECEIVED HIS
20 PH.D. IN AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC HISTORY FROM RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
21 1974. HE SERVED CONGREGATIONS IN BOSTON, NEW BRUNSWICK AND
22 TORONTO BEFORE COMING TO WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE WHERE HE
23 SERVED FOR 23 YEARS AS SENIOR RABBI. HE RETIRED TO BECOME
24 RABBI EMERITUS IN JUNE OF 2003. A LEADER IN THE SOUTHERN
25 CALIFORNIA RABBINATE, HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF

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1 RABBIS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CHAIRED BOTH THE
2 INTERRELIGIOUS COUNCIL OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND THE JEWISH
3 COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE L.A. JEWISH FEDERATION.
4 HE WAS A MEMBER OF REBUILD L.A. AND WAS FOUNDING CHAIR OF THE
5 INTERFAITH COALITION TO HEAL L.A. AMONG MANY OTHER LEADERSHIP
6 POSITIONS. HE WAS THE AUTHOR OF SEVERAL BOOKS, INCLUDING A
7 THREE-VOLUME COMMENTARY ON THE TORAH, AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS
8 WONDERFUL WIFE SYBIL, THREE CHILDREN, DEBRA FIELDS, JOEL
9 FIELDS AND RACHAEL PRISHKOLNIK, AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. I HAVE AN ADJOURNMENT IN
12 MEMORY OF JOHN DODSON, WHO PASSED AWAY

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS ON THAT.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS JOHN WAS A UNITED STATES
17 NAVY VETERAN OWNED AND OPERATED MESA MUFFLER. SINCE THE EARLY
18 '60S. HE WAS BUILDING BUGGIES, ANYWAY. HE WAS JUST LOVED BY
19 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AND HE ENJOYED HIS FAMILY OUTINGS TO
20 THE SAND DUNES AS WELL AS THE COLORADO RIVER. HE WAS A LOVING
21 HUSBAND, FATHER, GRANDFATHER AND GREAT GRANDFATHER. HE
22 SURVIVED BY HIS THREE SONS, DUANE, CURTIS, AND RUSSELL, SISTER
23 OWANA, AND TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS AND A GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER. HE
24 WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALSO THAT WE
25 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A LONGTIME FRIEND, . A LONGTIME MEMBER OF

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1 THE OF THE CERRITOS OPTIMIST CLUB, AND THAT'S MR. BILL
2 WILLIAMS. PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 21ST, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
3 SUSAN. HE WILL TRULY BE MISSED BY ALL OF US THAT WHO KNEW HIM
4 WELL. AND ALSO I JUST FOUND OUT THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
5 R.D. BORDERS. R.D. WAS OUR PROJECT MANAGER ON AN INCREDIBLE
6 PROJECT CALLED THE TERMINAL AVENUE STORM DRAIN PROJECT. HE
7 WORKED VERY WELL WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WAS A GREAT PUBLIC
8 RELATIONS GUY BUT ALSO MADE SURE THAT THE PROJECT GOT DONE ON
9 TIME AND ON BUDGET. WE WILL ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY AND WE WILL
10 GET YOU THE PROPER INFORMATION FOR THE SURVIVING MEMBERS OF
11 THE FAMILY. SO ORDERED.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS, I WOULD ADJOURN IN
14 MEMORY OF DELORES PAYNE, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF TORRANCE WHO
15 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 79. SHE WAS A GRANDMOTHER OF MY
16 CHATSWORTH FIELD DEPUTY JARROD DEGONIA. SHE WAS KILLED
17 TRAGICALLY IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT THIS PAST FRIDAY. AND
18 SHE'LL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER ENERGY, SPIRIT, GENEROSITY AND
19 LOVE AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, PATRICK AND LESLIE
20 AND HER SIX GRANDCHILDREN AND ONE GREAT GRANDDAUGHTER.
21 ELIZABETH BLACKWELDER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. SHE WAS A
22 GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A. MAJORING IN ZOOLOGICAL STUDIES, BECAME A
23 WAVE, A NAVAL WAVE OFFICER DURING WORLD WAR II. WAS THE FIRST
24 WAVE OFFICER TO BE ASSIGNED TO THE NATION NAVAL MEDICAL
25 RESEARCH INSTITUTE. SHE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE ROSE BOWL

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1 RIDERS AND DONATED HER TIME WITH THE FRIENDS OF CHERRY CANYON
2 WHERE SHE RECEIVED THE CALIFORNIA TRAILS AND GREENWAYS
3 CONFERENCE LIFETIME VOLUNTEER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN 2013. SHE
4 WAS ALSO QUITE INVOLVED WITH THE EXTENSIONS OF THE TRAILS AND
5 THE LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE. SHE RODE WITH US MANY YEARS ON OUR
6 BIENNIAL RIDES THAT WE HAVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND
7 WHEN SHE WASN'T RIDING, SHE WOULD SHOW UP PERSONALLY WITH THE
8 PEOPLE. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN. VERY NICE,
9 WONDERFUL COMMUNITY LADY. EILEEN BLANCHARD, PASSED AWAY ON
10 JANUARY 24TH, OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, QUITE INVOLVED WITH
11 THE BOY SCOUTS, THE PLACERITA NATURE CENTER, THE CARE CENTER,
12 AWANA MINISTRIES, AND ACTIVE IN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY
13 ACTIVITIES. SHE WORKED ON MY FIRST CAMPAIGN. SHE IS SURVIVED
14 BY HER TWO CHILDREN, GARY AND CAROL. EDWARD DOW GOMES, 93,
15 PASSED AWAY. RESIDENT OF ARCADIA, A NAVY VETERAN DURING WORLD
16 WAR II, WORKED FOR ALLSTATE INSURANCE AND WAS THE CO-CREATOR
17 OF THE PASADENA BRUSH FIRE PROGRAM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
18 WIFE. FREDERICK BROSIO, SERVED AS CHIEF OF THE CIVIL DIVISION
19 OF THE CENTRAL DISTRICT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR
20 NEARLY 30 YEARS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. HE SERVED IN THE
21 KOREAN WAR WHERE HE OBTAINED THE RANK OF MAJOR AND WAS AWARDED
22 THE BRONZE STAR AND QUITE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY AND HIS
23 CHURCH. LESLIE JO DORFF- EDWARDS, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 65
24 FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY. SHE HAD A CAREER IN MARKETING AND WAS A
25 MUSICIAN, PERFORMING WITH THE "BOOGIE WOOGIE MAMAS." SHE'S

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1 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, HER MOTHER AND HER BROTHER. SISTER
2 JOYCE HAMPEL, PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 19TH. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF
3 THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPHS OF CARONDELET, THE SAME ORDER MY
4 AUNT IS A MEMBER OF. FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS SHE TAUGHT
5 RELIGION AND BIOLOGY IN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT
6 CALIFORNIA, SERVED AS ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL TO THE ACADEMY OF
7 OUR LADY OF PEACE IN SAN DIEGO FOR 31 YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED
8 BY HER PARENTS AND HER TWO SISTERS AND THREE BROTHERS. LORI
9 LUVERN HUNTER, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
10 35. LORI WAS A STRUCTURAL ENGINEER, ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE NORTH
11 PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH AND SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, THREE
12 CHILDREN, PARENTS AND HER THREE SISTERS. ELIZABETH CARMELLA
13 "BETTY" JACKSON OF SANTA CLARITA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
14 83. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN HER COMMUNITY. SHE SERVED ON THE
15 ASSOCIATION SEVEN'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS. VOLUNTEER OF ST. CLARE
16 CATHOLIC CHURCH. SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S
17 CLUB AND SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER AND SISTER. FRANCES LILLY
18 SCOTT OF GLENDALE PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 12TH AT THE AGE OF
19 102. SHE WAS A GRADUATE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
20 BERKELEY. SHE WORKED FOR LOCKHEED DURING WORLD WAR II AND
21 BECAME OFFICE MANAGER LATER FOR THE LILLY CORPORATION. SHE
22 SERVED AS PRESIDENT AND STATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE REPUBLICAN
23 WOMEN'S FEDERATION AND IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND AND
24 DAUGHTER. MELVIN POOLE, RETIRED LIEUTENANT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY
25 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE RETIRED FROM THE ALTADENA STATION.

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1 LAGENE PECK RETIRED LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY. HE
2 RETIRED FROM THE LAKEWOOD STATION. RICHARD B. OROSCO, RETIRED
3 DEPUTY LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PASSED AWAY AT
4 THE AGE OF 71 AFTER SERVING 30 YEARS FOR THE DEPARTMENT.
5 THOMAS NURSALL, RETIRED DEPUTY. AND HE PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY
6 20TH. WILLIAM HARTWELL, RETIRED DEPUTY FOR 13 YEARS, PASSED
7 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 67. ALLAN CHRISTOPHER GONZALEZ OF PALMDALE
8 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 18 FOLLOWING A COURAGEOUS BATTLE
9 FIGHTING LEUKEMIA. HE WAS A MUSICIAN, ARTIST WHO WANTED TO
10 PURSUE A CAREER IN LAW ENFORCEMENT WITH THE L.A. COUNTY
11 SHERIFFS'S DEPARTMENT. LESS THAN TWO WEEKS BEFORE HIS PASSING
12 HE WAS ABLE TO BE A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY FOR A DAY WITH A RIDE
13 ALONG AND STATION TOUR. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER AND TWO
14 SIBLINGS. BRUCE BURLESON, RETIRED SERGEANT OF THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. GEORGE BERNARD SETTLEMAYER, A
16 32ND DEGREE MASON. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 77. GARRETT
17 KIVISTO, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LANCASTER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
18 OF 27 AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. HE WAS A GRADUATE OF QUARTZ HILL
19 HIGH SCHOOL AND HE ATTENDED ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE. FRANCISCO
20 ALVAREZ PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78 AFTER A TRAGIC ACCIDENT.
21 HE WAS THE CREDIT MANAGER FOR ALL-FAST FASTENING SYSTEMS IN
22 THE CITY OF INDUSTRY. AND HE OFTEN RODE HIS BIKE TO WORK AND
23 TO MASS EVERY SUNDAY. AND ROMA PRIOR, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY,
24 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. WAS ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LOCAL
25 Y.M.C.A .AND DEACON AT THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN

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1 NEWHALL. SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTERS. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS,
2 MR. CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
7 BELOVED ACTOR/ DIRECTOR LUIS AVALOS WHO FIRST RECEIVED ACCLAIM
8 FOR EDUCATIONAL CHILDREN'S TELEVISION SERIES, "THE ELECTRIC
9 COMPANY." OVER THE COURSE OF HIS CAREER, HE COSTARRED IN
10 SEVERAL FILMS AND MADE GUEST APPEARANCES ON TELEVISION SHOWS
11 SUCH AS "RESURRECTION BOULEVARD," "FAME," "N.Y.P.D. BLUE," ET
12 CETERA. HE ALSO WROTE, DIRECTED AND PRODUCED TELEMUNDO'S
13 NETWORK SPECIAL, "EL REGALITO DE PAQUITO", WHICH RESULTED IN
14 AND EMMY NOMINATION, AND HIS MUSICAL, "PAQUITO'S CHRISTMAS,"
15 BECAME A TREASURED HOLIDAY TRADITION. THROUGHOUT THE YEARS,
16 LUIS TIRELESSLY WORKED TO PROMOTE DIVERSITY WITHIN TELEVISION
17 AND FILM INDUSTRY. HE IS THE FOUNDER AND ARTISTIC DIRECTOR OF
18 THE AMERICA'S THEATER ARTS FOUNDATION IN LOS ANGELES. WE WANT
19 TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS
20 AND ALL OF US AS DEVOTED FANS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ADJOURN IN
21 MEMORY OF A DISTINGUISHED ATTORNEY AND CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER,
22 ADELFA BOTELLO CALLEJO, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90 AFTER
23 EXPERIENCING THE GRAVE INJUSTICE OF AN UNCLE WHO WAS DEPORTED
24 WITHOUT A FAIR TRIAL. ADELFA BECAME DEVOTED TO FIGHTING THE
25 RIGHTS OF IMMIGRANTS AND MINORITIES. SHE WAS THE FIRST LATINA

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1 TO GRADUATE FROM SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL AND
2 THROUGHOUT HER STORIED CAREER SHE WORKED TIRELESSLY ON THE
3 ISSUES SUCH AS IMMIGRATION, EDUCATION, HOUSING AND VOTING
4 RIGHTS. OVER THE YEARS, ADELFA SERVED ON BOARDS AND NUMEROUS
5 WORTHY ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING THE MEXAMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE
6 AND EDUCATION FUND, THE HISPANIC LEADERSHIP FORUM, THE
7 AMERICAN G.I .FORUM AS WELL AS MANY OTHERS. WE WANT TO EXTEND
8 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO ADELFA'S FAMILY, FRIENDS AND
9 ADMIRERS. AND FINALLY I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
10 GUADALUPE CHAVEZ. REGRETTABLY, SHE JUST PASSED AWAY. SHE AND
11 HER FAMILY WERE RUN OVER BY AN ELDERLY GENTLEMAN IN HIGHLAND
12 PARK. AND THERE'S STILL ONE CHILD IN CRITICAL CONDITION AND
13 SOME OF THE OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS THAT ARE STILL IN THE
14 HOSPITAL. BUT IF WE COULD ADJOURN. THIS WAS THE GRANDMOTHER,
15 GUADALUPE CHAVEZ.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. ONCE AGAIN I'D
20 LIKE TO REINFORCE THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE PASSING OF RABBI
21 HARVEY FIELDS WHO SERVED AT THE WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE. I'M
22 PLEASED TO HAVE KNOWN HIM BACK TO THE TIME WHEN I WAS THE
23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
24 CONFERENCE WHERE WE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO COLLABORATE ON ISSUES.
25 AND THAT GREAT RELIGIOUS TEMPLE, ICONIC IN ITS OWN RIGHT,

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1 HAPPENS TO BE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, AND WE SAY THAT WITH
2 PRIDE. CONDOLENCES ARE EXTENDED TO HIS ENTIRE FAMILY. MAY I
3 NOW ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELLIE MAE EARNEST, TO MANY KNOWN AS
4 "MAMA ERNEST." SHE WAS BORN AUGUST 23, 1931 AND PASSED JUST
5 TODAY AT THE AGE OF 83. BORN IN SOSO, MISSISSIPPI. SHE MOVED
6 TO LOS ANGELES WITH HER CHILDREN TO THE COMMUNITY OF WATTS TO
7 ESCAPE THE JIM CROW LAWS OF THE SOUTH. SHE WORKED AS A
8 LIBRARIAN AT THE GRAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN WATTS FOR OVER 30
9 YEARS AND WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF HER UNION S.E.I.U LOCAL 99.
10 SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF HER CHURCH, SWEET HOME BAPTIST
11 CHURCH IN THE COMMUNITY OF WATTS WHERE SHE ALSO TAUGHT SUNDAY
12 SCHOOL. SHE WAS A LONGTIME DEN MOTHER FOR HER LOCAL BOY SCOUT
13 TROOP NO. 383. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER TIRELESS
14 COMMITMENT TO SERVING HER COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN
15 GREATEST NEED. SHE WAS KNOWN TO TAKE HOMELESS TEENS INTO HER
16 HOME AND TO ADVOCATE FOR NUMEROUS CAUSES AFFECTING HER
17 NEIGHBORS IN HER COMMUNITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY AND WILL BE
18 GREATLY MISSED BY HER FRIENDS AND FAMILY, THREE DAUGHTERS,
19 PATRICIA CROSS, SHELA WINSTON, SHERY EARNEST , HER SON, CURTIS
20 EARNEST WHO SERVES AS CHIEF OF STAFF TO COUNCIL MEMBER CURRAN
21 D. BRYCE. MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, ELLIE MAE EARNEST, MAY
22 SHE REST IN PEACE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED.
25 ANYTHING ELSE? ANY MOTIONS? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE MELLO

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1 DESIRE SIGNED UP ON ITEMS C.S.-1 AND C.S.-2, IF YOU WOULD COME
2 FORWARD?

3

4 **MELLO DESIRE:** ON THE SUPPORT FOR THE C.D.C., WE WANT TO REALLY
5 IMPOSE ON FOCUSING WHAT THE REAL NEEDS ARE AND WHERE FUNDING
6 IS GOING. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE ALLOCATED FUNDS FOR CERTAIN
7 PROJECTS IN CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS. BUT MY MAIN PURPOSE HERE IS
8 TO BE THE VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS, TO BE THE VOICE FOR THE
9 MOTHERS WHO LOST SONS TO EITHER GANG VIOLENCE OR BEING 6 FEET
10 UNDER BECAUSE THEY WORE THE WRONG COLOR. WE ARE FUNDING
11 BUILDINGS UPON BUILDINGS, BUT OUR CHILDREN ARE STILL BEING
12 LEFT WITHOUT. WE DON'T HAVE ANY FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS TO HAVE
13 BOOKS SUCH AS LOCKE HIGH SCHOOL. WE DON'T HAVE NEW BOOKS FOR
14 KIDS IN BARACK OBAMA CHARTER SCHOOL. BUT YET WE'RE WORRYING
15 ABOUT ABANDONED BUILDINGS, VERMONT BUILDINGS.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM, YOU SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON C.S.-1
18 AND C.S.-2, C.S.-1 IS ON THE APPOINTMENT OF A SHERIFF. IT'S
19 NOT RELATED TO YOUR TESTIMONY.

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21 **MELLO DESIRE:** ABSOLUTELY, AND THE SHERIFF IS WHERE I'M GUNNING
22 NEXT. SO AS WE CONTINUE ON TO EXPOSE THE PROBATION AND ABUSE
23 SYSTEM IN TWIN TOWERS AND CENTRAL, WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH
24 LOS ANGELES TIMES TO ALLOW PEOPLE LIKE LEE BACA TO STEP DOWN
25 FROM WHAT HE IS NOT DOING AND EXPOSING TO WHAT HE SHOULD KNOW

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1 TO BE DOING PROPERLY FOR THESE PRISONERS, FOR THESE INMATES,
2 SO TO SPEAK. SO WE HAVE FUNDING FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE
3 HAVE SET ASIDE BUDGET FOR THAT. BUT WE KNOW THE CORRUPTION OF
4 ABUSE SYSTEM AND WE WANT TO CALL IT REHABILITATION. WHAT ARE
5 WE REHABILITATING? 23 HOURS A DAY LOCKED UP IN A 9 BY 9 CELL?
6 MAYBE YOU MIGHT GET A PHONE CALL. SO I WANT TO RE-ESTABLISH
7 THAT THE SHERIFF'S MONEY NEEDS TO BE GOING OUT TO THE PUBLIC
8 WHERE IT'S GOING TO BE USED. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. PLEASE. APPLAUSE IS NOT
11 ALLOWED. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE ARE GOING TO GO TO PUBLIC
12 COMMENTS. JUST SOME GUIDELINES HERE. WE'RE GOING TO GIVE-- WE
13 HAVE A BUNCH OF FOLKS THAT SIGNED UP. GET A MINUTE EACH. BUT I
14 THINK IN REGARDS TO THE ISSUE THAT YOU'VE COME TO SPEAK ABOUT,
15 JUST SO YOU KNOW WHAT THE GUIDELINES ARE, I MEAN, WE WILL NOT
16 BE MAKING ANY COMMENT BACK BECAUSE THE PROCESS IS STILL IN
17 PLACE. THESE CONTRACTS WON'T BE AWARDED UNTIL THE END OF THE
18 YEAR EARLIEST. THE APPEAL PROCESS IS STILL IN PLACE. AND SO
19 NOTHING HAS RUN ITS COURSE. SO I'M NOT SURE WHAT MOTIVATED YOU
20 TO COME DOWN AND SPEAK IN REGARDS TO IT, BUT WE'LL CERTAINLY
21 TAKE THE TESTIMONY SINCE YOU'RE HERE. JUST UNDERSTAND THAT THE
22 WHOLE PROCESS OF THE APPEALS AND THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS IS
23 ALMOST A YEAR AWAY. SO WITH THAT, BRUCE RUBINSTEIN, GEORGIA
24 THOMPSON, RENANDEZ GRIM AND RAYMOND CHANDLER. GO AHEAD,
25 PLEASE.

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2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. IN 1992 YOUR BOARD APPROVED THE
3 COMMUNITY PLAN FOR FAMILY PRESERVATION, WHICH WAS DEVELOPED
4 UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF NANCY DALEY AND THE COMMISSION FOR
5 CHILDREN. AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF D.C.F.S., I HELPED ORGANIZE
6 HUNDREDS OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT THE WORK OF
7 C.S.W.S IN EVERY OFFICE. WITHIN 18 MONTHS, THE NUMBER OF
8 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE DROPPED 20 PERCENT IN COMPTON AND
9 CHILD DEATHS DROPPED BY 30 PERCENT. THE COUNTY RESTORED
10 STABILITY AFTER A BRIEF MEDIA EXPOSE IN 1999. AND SINCE THEN,
11 THERE ARE NOW 30,000 FEWER CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE AND AT THE
12 SAME TIME CHILD HOMICIDES BY PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS HAVE
13 DROPPED FROM 44 TO 14 IN 2012. COMMUNITY-BASED PREVENTION
14 EFFORTS ASSURE CHILD SAFETY. AND THAT'S PROBABLY ALL THE TIME
15 I HAVE RIGHT NOW.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? AND THEN BISHOP LARRY
18 TAYLOR IF YOU'LL JOIN US AND REVEREND JOHN TUNSTALL AND MELVIN
19 SNELL.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME AND
22 PATIENCE. I JUST WANTED TO JUST BRING AWARENESS TO THE EFFORTS
23 THAT HAVE GONE ON FOR THE LAST 18 YEARS BETWEEN COMMUNITY-
24 BASED AGENCIES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
25 SERVICES. AND WE'RE JUST STANDING IN SOLIDARITY SAYING THAT WE

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1 WANT TO KEEP IT ON YOUR MIND AND KEEP IT IN THE FOREFRONT OF
2 THE EFFORTS THAT HAVE GONE ON FOR MANY, MANY YEARS WORKING
3 WITH OUR COMMUNITIES. ANOTHER JUST QUICK POINT I WOULD LIKE TO
4 ADD IS IN REGARDS TO THE EFFORTS THAT HAVE GONE FORTH IN OUR
5 FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AND WORKING TIRELESSLY IN KEEPING CHILDREN
6 SAFE. WE JUST WANT YOU ALL TO REMEMBER THAT OUR F.F.A.S ARE
7 OUT THERE DOING THE WORK AND WORKING WITH FAMILIES AND
8 CHILDREN AND THEIR SAFETY. AND WE HAVE SEEN A REDUCTION IN THE
9 PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN. AND WE WANTED TO CONTINUE TO SEE THAT.
10 AND WE ARE JUST ASKING YOU ALL TO PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE
11 PROCESS AND TO REMEMBER THAT COMMUNITY-BASED AGENCIES DO MAKE
12 A DIFFERENCE.

13

14 **RENANDEZ GRIM:** MY NAME IS RENANDEZ GRIM AND I REPRESENT THE
15 COMMUNITY IN THE NINTH DISTRICT IN S.P.A. 6. MY GOAL FROM THE
16 COMMUNITY TODAY IS TO ADDRESS THE FLAWS IN THE R.F.P. PROCESS
17 AND TO TAKE BACK ANSWER TO THE PEOPLE WHOM I PASSED TO, WHOM I
18 HAVE A VOICE AND A FACE IN THE COMMUNITY. I WANTED TO COME AND
19 SOLICIT THAT ALL OF US WOULD BE MINDFUL OF THE FACT THAT THE
20 EFFORTS THAT WERE MADE TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY BECOME A BETTER
21 COMMUNITY WOULD BE AT A FLAW IF WE DON'T GO BACK AND RE-VISIT
22 THE R.F.P. PROCESS WITH ACTION THAT THOSE THAT INVOLVED WOULD
23 BE PARTICIPANTS AND THAT THEY WOULD BE MINDFUL OF THE FACT
24 THAT THE COMMUNITY IS DEPENDENT UPON THESE AGENCIES TO PROVIDE
25 SERVICES ON A ONE-ON-ONE BASIS AND TO BE ABLE TO HELP THEM

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1 OVERCOME OBSTACLES AND TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS THAT THEY HAVE
2 IN THEIR LIVES. AND WITHOUT THIS BEING RE-VISITED, IT WILL BE
3 THE DEMISE OF OUR COMMUNITY AND DESTRUCTION OF OUR FUTURE. AND
4 IN CLOSING, THIS WOULD LOOK LIKE TRYING TO CATCH A FEATHER IN
5 A FAN IF WE DON'T RE-VISIT THIS ISSUE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **RAYMOND CHANDLER:** MY NAME IS PASTOR RAYMOND CHANDLER. I
10 REPRESENT THE FAITH DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES CREATED THE PROPOSAL SYSTEM THAT
12 IS FLAWED AND HEAVILY FAVORS LARGE AGENCIES THAT FOUND THEIR
13 WAY TO THE COMMUNITY AS OPPOSED TO BEING FROM THE COMMUNITY.
14 IT APPEARS THAT THE COUNTY IS BASICALLY TELLING AGENCIES WHO
15 HAVE STRIVED TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES, BUILD
16 NETWORKS AND WILL NOT LEAVE WHEN THE MONEY RUNS OUT THAT THEY
17 HAVE NO WORTH OR VALUE. THE FAITH-BASED AGENCIES WHICH WERE
18 TOTALLY ELIMINATED FROM THE PROCESS EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE
19 INITIALLY APPROACHED TO ASSIST THE COUNTY IN CHILD PLACEMENT
20 REDUCTION IS OUTRAGE. THIS SUGGESTS THAT THE COUNTY IS
21 ESSENTIALLY TELLING THE FAITH COMMUNITY: "WE DO NOT NEED YOU
22 ANYMORE. WE HAVE USED YOU ENOUGH." THE COUNTY, ALONG WITH THE
23 FAITH COMMUNITY, HAVE INVESTED IN AGENCIES AND THEIR NETWORKS.
24 OUR CONGREGATIONS ARE TOLD TO TRUST IN THEM TO HELP THEM IN
25 THEIR TIMES OF NEED BECAUSE THEY HAVE STAYING POWER. THEY HAVE

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1 BEEN IN THE COMMUNITY. THEIR STAFF IS MADE UP OF THE COMMUNITY
2 AND THEY KNOW THE COMMUNITY. THEY LOOK LIKE US. THEY ARE US.
3 THEY'VE BEEN WITH US. AND THEY COME FROM US. THEREFORE THEY
4 CAN UNDERSTAND YOUR UNIQUE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH ENABLES THEM TO
5 HELP YOU WITH YOUR TREATMENT.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SIR, YOUR TIME'S UP.

8

9 **RAYMOND CHANDLER:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE.

12

13 **LARRY TAYLOR:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I AM LARRY TAYLOR, PASTOR OF FAITH
14 CHRISTIAN CHURCH AND PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN
15 CONVOCATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH DISCIPLES OF CHRIST IN THE
16 PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION. I RECENTLY HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF
17 ATTENDING A LIVE GRACE AWARDS AND WITNESS FIRSTHAND AN
18 HISPANIC FAMILY WHO WAS TREMENDOUSLY BLESSED BY FAMILY
19 PRESERVATION PROGRAM. THEY WERE A FAMILY WHO HAD THEIR
20 CHILDREN WATCH WHILE THEIR MOTHER WAS TIED UP AND THROWN OUT
21 OF A MOVING CAR. AND I SAW THEM STANDING AND LISTENING TO THE
22 STORY. AND I SAW THE FEAR COME BACK UPON THEIR FACES. BUT THEY
23 WERE IN THE RIGHT PLACE, A PLACE WHERE FAITH-BASED IS
24 NECESSARY TO HELP THEIR SPIRITUAL BEING. MR. CHAIRMAN, THE
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE CHALLENGED US TO COME AT AN EARLY

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1 DATE TO LET IT BE KNOWN THAT THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO ELIMINATE
2 THE CHURCH.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT ELIMINATING ANYTHING AT THIS
5 POINT, OKAY?

6

7 **LARRY TAYLOR:** THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO ELIMINATE THE CHURCH AS
8 IT RELATES TO--

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT. YOUR TIME'S UP. THANK YOU.

11 [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **JOHN TUNSTALL:** I'M JOHN TUNSTALL, I'M THE PASTOR OF THE
14 ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH IN SOUTH L.A. BEEN THERE 31 YEARS. BUT
15 ALSO A PART OF A DENOMINATION, THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION,
16 WHICH COMPRISES 124 CHURCHES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. TWO WEEKS
17 AGO THE LEADERSHIP OF ALL THESE CHURCHES MET. AND THIS ISSUE
18 WAS DISCUSSED. AND OUT OF THAT DISCUSSION, ALL 124 OF US AGREE
19 ON ONE THING: THAT THIS NEEDS TO GO BACK TO THE TABLE. AND SO
20 WE ARE JUST TRUSTING AND BELIEVING THAT ANY DECISION THAT YOU
21 HAVE MADE TO DISCONNECT FROM THE FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY WOULD
22 BE RECONSIDERED. THE PROCESS GOT SOME FLAWS IN IT. I'M WEARING
23 A GOOD WATCH. AND THIS WATCH IS WORKING. AND IF IT'S NOT
24 WORKING, IT DOES NOT NEED TO BE FIXED. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, YES, YES, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]
2 YOU KNOW, JUST PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE OF THE BOARD RULES. WE
3 DON'T WANT TO SAY LEAVE OR DO ANYTHING. JUST, YOU KNOW, DO IT
4 THE RIGHT WAY. ALFRED FOSTER. BELVERLY NALLS-DEMAR. SADRA
5 LARSEN AND JONATHAN BARRIENTOS. YES, SIR.

6

7 **MELVIN SNELL:** YES, MY NAME IS MELVIN SNELL AND I'M THE FOUNDER
8 OF THE LOS ANGELES HUMANITIES GROUP FOUNDATION. AND WE'RE HERE
9 TODAY IN A PROACTIVE MODE. EVEN THOUGH I KNOW YOU STATED THAT
10 NO DECISIONS WERE BEING MADE, BUT I JUST WANTED TO TAKE THIS
11 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THOSE PEOPLE BEHIND ME, THE COMMUNITY, TO
12 STAND UP WHO HAVE COME TODAY, THOSE COMMUNITIES REPRESENTING
13 THE MINISTERS. WE HAVE ATTORNEYS. WE HAVE PEOPLE THAT--
14 [APPLAUSE.] -- THIS THIS IS AFFECTING AND I JUST WANT YOU TO
15 SEE. AGAIN I WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. WE'VE
16 COME HERE TODAY TO THE SANCTUARY FOR JUSTICE BECAUSE THE
17 FAITH, OKAY, THAT WE PLACED IN YOUR HANDS THAT WHEN YOU PUT
18 YOUR HANDS, LEFT HAND ON THE BIBLE AND YOUR RIGHT HAND YOU
19 RAISED IT IN THE FAITH OF OATH THAT WE CAN EXPECT FAIRNESS IN
20 THE FACE OF INJUSTICE THAT WE HAVE HERE TODAY. SO WE COME OUT
21 OF THIS CONCERNED FOR THE CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES FIRST AND
22 HOPE THAT THIS DECISION WILL BECOME A FAVORABLE DECISION.
23 THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT GO AHEAD.

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1

2 **JOHN BARRIENTOS:** MY NAME IS JOHN BARRIENTOS. I'M AM THE
3 PRESIDENT OF THE PARA LOS NINOS YOUTH PROGRAM. I'M A SENIOR IN
4 R.F.K. HIGH SCHOOL AND ALSO AN L.A.P.D. CADET. MY FAMILY
5 ASSOCIATED ITSELF WITH PARA LOS NINOS ABOUT SIX YEARS AGO. MY
6 MOM WAS TAKING THE PARENTING CLASSES THAT PARA LOS NINOS
7 OFFERED. THAT REALLY IMPACTED THE WAY MY MOM RAISED ME AND MY
8 SIBLINGS. BECAUSE OF THAT I JOINED THE CADET PROGRAM. I AM NOW
9 THE HIGHEST RANKING CADET IN MY DIVISION. I'M ALSO GRADUATING
10 HIGH SCHOOL THIS JUNE AND ORGANIZATIONS LIKE PARA LOS NINOS DO
11 REALLY HELP OUT OUR COMMUNITY. AND I HOPE THEY COULD BE
12 REFUNDED. THAT WAY OTHER PEOPLE COULD BENEFIT FROM IT THE WAY
13 I DID. THAT'S ALL THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

16

17 **BELVERLY NALLS-DEMAR:** HI, MY NAME IS BELVERLY NALLS-DEMAR. I'M
18 A LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER. I HAVE BEEN IN SOUTHERN
19 CALIFORNIA FOR 30 YEARS, 20 OF THOSE YEARS I HAVE WORKED IN
20 SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND THE FAMILY PRESERVATION PROGRAMS. I AM
21 HERE TODAY BECAUSE WE ARE AND HAVE BEEN WHAT I CONSIDER TO BE
22 COMMUNITY FRIENDS. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I TRY TO TEACH MY
23 FAMILIES WHEN THEY COME IN TO ME, INTO OUR AGENCY IS THAT WE
24 CAN'T MAKE YOUR LIFE PERFECT. WE WILL NOT CLEAR ALL OF YOUR
25 PROBLEMS. BUT IF I CAN TEACH YOU THAT THERE ARE RESOURCES IN

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1 THE COMMUNITY AND HOW TO ACCESS THEM, THEN WE'VE DONE WHAT WE
2 WANT TO DO. THE OTHER PART OF IT IS THAT AS A COMMUNITY-BASED
3 AGENCY AND FAITH-BASED, BECAUSE I'M FROM COMMUNITY COMMUNITY-
4 BASED AND FAITH-BASED. WE'RE KNOWN IN THE COMMUNITY, WE'RE
5 KNOWN, WE HAVE BEEN THERE. I RUN INTO PEOPLE IN THE GROCERY
6 STORE, THE BANKS, THE CHURCH ON OTHER PLACES. IF THEY HAVE AN
7 ISSUE, THEY ASK IT TO ME TO ASK TO REFER THEM TO GIVE THEM
8 INFORMATION. THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO CONTINUE TO DO. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE YOU SPEAK, I WOULD ASK
11 REVEREND DR. DUDLEY CHAPMAN, LUCY RODRIGUEZ, ATYRIA CLARK,
12 ELIZABETH AVENA AND GAUDENCIO LEYVA TO COME FORWARD, PLEASE.
13 YES, MA'AM?

14

15 **SADRA LARSEN:** HELLO MY NAME IS SADRA LARSEN. I WORK FOR
16 BIENVENIDOS. I'VE ALSO PARTNERED AND WORKED WITH PERSONAL
17 INVOLVEMENT CENTER AND PARA LOS NINOS. ONE OF THE SERVICES WE
18 PROVIDE IS UP FRONT ASSESSMENTS. WE GO OUT AT NIGHT AND WE
19 HELP THE E.R.C.P. SOCIAL WORKERS. AND MANY TIMES, WE STABILIZE
20 FAMILIES IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT WHEN THERE ARE NO OTHER
21 RESOURCES AVAILABLE. AND OFTEN THERE'S A LAPSE OF SERVICES
22 BETWEEN THE TIME THE E.R.C.P. HANDS THAT CASE OFF TO THE
23 REGIONAL CENTER AND OFTEN, THE UP FRONT ASSESSOR AND THE
24 FAMILY PRESERVATION PROGRAM IS THE LINK THAT KEEPS THAT FAMILY
25 STABLE UNTIL THE D.C.F.S. REGIONAL OFFICE CAN PICK THEM UP.

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1 AND WHEN THIS FLAWED R.F.P. PROCESS CAME OUT, AGENCIES THAT I
2 MENTIONED HAVE BEEN IN THE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 20 YEARS ARE
3 NOW-- MAY BE GONE. AND THE PEOPLE THAT LOSE OUT ARE THE FAMILY
4 AND CHILDREN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7

8 **LUCY RODRIGUEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS LUCY RODRIGUEZ. I REPRESENT
9 PLAZA COMMUNITY CENTER IN EAST LOS ANGELES S.P.A. 7. I AM
10 HERE, YOU BROUGHT UP WHY SPEAK NOW? MY COMMUNITY IS SHAKING
11 FOUNDATIONS. WE MAKE AN IMPACT. WE HAVE AN IMPACT ON OUR
12 COMMUNITY. PEOPLE OUTSIDE ARE COMING IN AND MAKING DECISIONS
13 FOR US. THAT'S NOT OKAY. THAT'S NOT OKAY FOR SOMEBODY TO COME
14 AND TAKE AWAY OUR COMMUNITY AGENCIES. THE COMMUNITY NEEDS US.
15 I AM AN IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE I LIVE THERE. I SERVE
16 THE PEOPLE. AND I WANT YOU TO PLEASE RECONSIDER. IT'S PROBABLY
17 LIKE IF SOMEBODY CAME HERE AND TOOK YOU OUT OF YOUR SEATS.
18 THAT'S NOT OKAY. YOU KNOW OUR COMMUNITY, WE'RE ASKING FOR YOU--
19 - [APPLAUSE.] -- TO RECONSIDER US. I AM THE COMMUNITY. AND OUR
20 CLIENTS ARE HERE. WE DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. NEXT?

23

24 **REV. DUDLEY CHATMAN:** I'M PASTOR CHATMAN, PASTOR OF THE GREATER
25 COMMUNITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, AND WE ARE IN PACOIMA.

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1 AND I AM ALSO FIRST VICE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN BAPTIST
2 CONVENTION. I SHORTLY WANT TO SAY, I DON'T HAVE TO EXPLAIN TO
3 YOU THE VALUE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. OUR
4 VERY NAME, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WAS GIVEN BECAUSE THERE WAS A
5 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATION THAT STARTED THIS CITY. WE WANT YOU
6 TO KNOW THAT THE PROCESS IS FLAWED. SOMETHING WRONG WITH THE
7 PROCESS IF THE FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND THE COMMUNITY
8 ORGANIZATIONS ARE LEFT OUT. SOMETHING IS WRONG. I TRIED TO
9 BAKE A CAKE THE OTHER DAY. I TRIED TO DO IT ACCORDING TO THE
10 RECIPE. BUT IT DIDN'T TASTE LIKE MY GRANDMAMA'S CAKE. I WENT
11 BACK TO WHAT GRANDMAMA, DID, LITTLE PINCH OF THIS, LITTLE
12 PINCH OF THAT, THE SAME OLD WAY. THE CAKE CAME OUT OKAY. I
13 THINK WE NEED TO GO BACK AND FIX THE FLAWS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

16

17 **ATYRIA CLARK:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ATYRIA CLARK AND I'M
18 AN ATTORNEY WITH THE COMMUNITY LAW FIRM. SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES
19 AND MYSELF HAVE BEEN OBSERVING THIS PROCESS FOR THE
20 ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN SELECTED UNDER THIS NEW R.F.P.
21 PROGRAM. AND WE'VE OBSERVED SOME SERIOUS FLAWS WITH THE
22 PROCESS, THAT FRINGE ON VIOLATING THE DUE PROCESS RIGHTS OF
23 THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE COMMUNITIES THEY SERVE. MY
24 UNDERSTANDING IS THAT OVER 80 PERCENT OF THE BLACK-RUN
25 ORGANIZATIONS WERE ELIMINATED UNDER THIS NEW R.F.P, 60 PERCENT

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1 OF THE LATINO-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND 100 PERCENT OF THE
2 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WERE ELIMINATED UNDER THIS FLAWED
3 PROCESS. AND IN EFFECT, IF THE BOARD DOES NOT RECONSIDER THIS
4 PROCESS AND TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE FACT THAT OVER A VERY
5 LARGE SPACE OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN IN THE
6 COMMUNITY AND HAVE BEEN SERVING THEIR COMMUNITIES, SOME WELL
7 OVER 20 YEARS WILL BE DISPLACED BECAUSE OF A FLAWED PROCESS
8 THAT VIOLATES THEIR DUE PROCESS RIGHTS. SO I'D ASK THE BOARD
9 TO SEE IF TO SERIOUSLY RECONSIDER THIS R.F.P.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. NEXT?

12

13 **GAUDENCIA LEYVA (VIA INTERPRETER):** MY NAME IS GAUDENCIO LEYVA.
14 IN THE PAST MY LIFE WAS VERY DISHONEST. FRANKLY, I LEARNED TO
15 LIVE THAT WAY. IN 2008, I HAD THE TRAGEDY OF LOSING MY WIFE. I
16 HAD A VERY HARD FALL. I LOOKED FOR HOW TO DEAL WITH THIS
17 ISSUE, TO DEAL WITH MY CHILDREN AND FOR A BETTER LIFE. THE
18 COUNTY OFFERED ME LOTS OF PROGRAMS. THANKS TO THESE PROGRAMS,
19 I'VE BEEN ABLE TO OVERCOME A LOT OF THESE ISSUES IN MY LIFE.
20 THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] I'D LIKE TO ASK
23 CHRISTY KELLY, ROBERT WINN, VANESSA SARABIA, FRANCINE DANIEL
24 AND CRYSTAL FONSECA. GO AHEAD, SIR.

25

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1 **ROBERT WINN:** YES, THANK YOU SO VERY OF. MY NAME IS ROBERT
2 WINN, DEACON ROBERT WINN. I COME TODAY. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF
3 THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN LEADERSHIP OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY.
4 AND I COME TODAY AND I DON'T WANT TO BE REDUNDANT OF THINGS
5 THAT HAVE BEEN SAID APROPOS THE FLAWED PROCESS. IT IS INDEED
6 THAT WAY. AND WE ARE HOPING THAT THE 20 PLUS YEARS THAT
7 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND ALSO THE FAITH-BASED
8 ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE BROUGHT TO THE TABLE IS NOT DISMISSED.
9 PRESIDENT NELSON MANDELA SAID-- AND IT HOLDS TRUE TODAY--
10 "THERE'S NOTHING, NOTHING MORE POWERFUL THAN THE PHRASE 'IT IS
11 NOT RIGHT.'" AND THIS FLAWED PROCESS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IS
12 NOT RIGHT. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE A LOOK AT THIS. TAKE IT
13 BACK. AND PLEASE CORRECT IT. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

16

17 **FRANCINE DANIEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS FRANCINE DANIEL.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVE THE MIC. THERE. THERE WE GO.

20

21 **FRANCINE DANIEL:** I'M A CLIENT WITH THE _____. IT'S CHURCH-
22 BASED IN THE COMMUNITY. FAMILY HELPING FAMILIES AND RECONNECT
23 _____ SELF-DEFENSE. _____ THE PROGRAM, P.I.C. HAS
24 PROVIDED, I AM VERY DISPLEASED WITH THE INFORMATION THIS
25 EVENING THAT ALL PROGRAMS ARE IN JEOPARDY OF LOSING THE FUNDS

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1 FOR THE PROGRAM. MANY PEOPLE AND MYSELF, FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S
2 SERVICE, P.I.C. , IT'S A SAFE HAVEN FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILY.
3 IT ALLOWS THEM TO EXPOSE AND DISCOVER THINGS INSIDE AND OUT
4 THE COMMUNITY, ALSO GIVING THEM SUPPORT AND PROVIDING MANY
5 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WITH THE HOPE THAT THERE IS HOPE FOR AT
6 RISK FAMILIES AND FOR THEMSELVES. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

9

10 **VANESSA SARABIA:** HELLO, HI, MY NAME IS VANESSA. I'M HERE TO
11 HELP SUPPORT MY COMMUNITY FROM PART OF PARA LOS NINOS. I'M A
12 MOTHER OF FOUR CHILDREN. AND IN MY CASE, I FIRST GOT HELP WITH
13 THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE I WAS DEPRESSED DUE TO BUDGET CUTS. I WAS
14 ALSO PART OF THE L.A.U.S.D. TEACHER, LAST YEAR AND I FOUND OUT
15 THAT I WAS BECOMING, I BECAME A MOTHER ONCE AGAIN. AND I
16 TURNED TO HELP FROM MY CHILD'S SCHOOL. HE GOES TO THIS SCHOOL,
17 PRESCHOOL. AND I GET HELP WITH MY COUNSELOR/MENTOR. HE HELPS
18 ME GET BACK ON MY FEET. AND I'M GRATEFUL TO HAVE MY MOM AND MY
19 SISTER. ONE OF MY SISTERS IS LONG DISTANCE, SHE'S OUT OF
20 STATE. THE COUNSELOR AND THE PERSON THAT HELPS ME IS LIKE A
21 GRANDPA. YOU KNOW, NOT EVERYONE HAS THIS KIND OF SUPPORT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

24

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1 **VANESSA SARABIA:** HE HELPS ME OUT WITH PAMPERS, TOKENS AND
2 RIGHT NOW I'M IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING BACK, GOING BACK TO
3 SCHOOL. WITHOUT PARA LOS NINOS--

4
5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MA'AM. YOUR TIME'S
6 UP. NEXT?

7
8 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS _____. IN FACT, MORE PROGRAMS ARE NEEDED
9 AS FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY-BASED TO CATER AT RISK YOUTH AND
10 FAMILIES. MY EXPERIENCE WITH P.I.C. HAS BEEN GREAT SINCE ME
11 AND MY MOTHER HAVE BEEN RECEIVING SUPPORT FROM P.I.C. WE NOW
12 HAVE A STRONGER FAMILY BOND AND ARE AWARE OF THE GOOD IN AND
13 OUT THE COMMUNITY. PLEASE DO NOT END THE PROGRAM. IT IS VERY
14 MUCH SO NEEDED. THANK YOU.

15
16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE YOU SPEAK, MA'AM,
17 RONNIE JOHNSON, CINDY DELGADO, ANDRES NOVA, JACELYN HALL-
18 BUCKNOR AND RENEE PHIPPS OKAY, MA'AM. GO AHEAD.

19
20 **CRYSTAL FONSECA:** HI, MY NAME IS CRYSTAL FONSECA, AND I WAS
21 REFERRED OVER TO SHIELDS FOR FAMILIES BECAUSE I HAD AN OPEN
22 CASE. AND I CURRENTLY HAVE BEEN A CLIENT THERE FOR 17 MONTHS.
23 AND IF IT WASN'T FOR SHIELDS FOR FAMILIES HELPING ME, GIVING
24 ME ALL THE SERVICES THAT I NEEDED TO RETURN MY KIDS, I
25 WOULDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TODAY TO BE ABLE TO BE A MOTHER THAT I

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1 REALLY DESERVE TO BE TO MY KIDS. ALL THESE SERVICES THAT
2 THEY'RE TRYING TO END, WE REALLY, REALLY NEED THEM FOR OUR
3 KIDS. MY SON HAS, CURRENTLY HAS PROBLEMS RIGHT NOW WALKING AND
4 I NEED-- I'M GOING TO NEED REFERRALS TO HELP HIM LEARN TO WALK
5 AGAIN BECAUSE HE HAS PROBLEMS AND STUFF, BUT THAT'S IT.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY.

8

9 **CINDY DELGADO:** MY NAME IS CINDY DELGADO AND I'M A SINGLE
10 PARENT. AND IN MAY OF 2013, I BECAME A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC
11 VIOLENCE. AFTER THIS, I THOUGHT I WAS LOST. I DIDN'T HAVE NO
12 ONE TO ASK FOR HELP. I MET THE WORKERS FROM THE SHIELDS FOR
13 FAMILIES, AND BECAUSE OF THEM, I WAS ABLE TO GET ALL THE
14 REFERRALS AND THE HELP THAT I NEEDED. THEY HELPED ME WITH
15 SIMPLE THINGS AS DIAPERS, TOKENS. I MEAN, THINGS THAT SO MANY
16 PEOPLE DON'T MEAN NOTHING. I JUST WANT YOU TO CONSIDER, YOU
17 KNOW, KEEPING THESE LOCATIONS OPEN IN THE NAME OF MY FAMILY
18 AND ALL THE KIDS THAT HAVE GOTTEN HELP FROM THEM. I JUST WANT
19 TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR EVEN RECONSIDERING LEAVING THESE
20 LOCATIONS OPENS. AND I WANT TO THANK ALL THE WORKERS FROM THE
21 SHIELDS PROGRAM THAT PROVIDED HELP FOR ME AND MY KIDS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

24

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1 **RONNIE JOHNSON:** HI. MY NAME IS RONNIE JOHNSON. I'M FROM S.P.A.
2 6. YOU JUST SIMPLY CAN'T GET RID OF THIS PROGRAM. IT'S JUST
3 THAT SIMPLE. PART OF WHAT WE DO CONNECTS TO THE LIFELINE TO
4 SOME OF THESE FAMILIES. AND LOOKING AT REPORTS AND PAPERS AND
5 STUFF AS YOU GUYS DO UP HERE AND MAKING ALL THESE DECISIONS, I
6 PERSONALLY INVITE YOU TO RIDE WITH ME. I GIVE YOU MY NUMBER.
7 COME OUT WITH ME AND MEET THE FAMILIES. COME TO THE HOMES AND
8 SEE HOW SOME OF THESE PEOPLE LIVE AND SEE IF WHAT EVERYBODY
9 HAS SAID HERE OVER AND OVER AGAIN IS NOT TRUE. SITTING IN AN
10 IVORY TOWER MAKING DECISIONS FOR THE FRONTLINE SOLDIERS
11 COMPLETELY IS DIFFERENT WHEN YOU'RE ON THE FRONTLINE. SO I
12 INVITE YOU. COME OUT WITH US. COME OUT WITH ANY OF THESE
13 COMPANIES. I'M PRETTY SURE THEY'LL BE HAPPY TO HAVE YOU AND
14 PHYSICALLY SEE FOR YOURSELF BEFORE YOU MAKE THESE DECISIONS
15 BECAUSE SOME OF YOU, IT'S NOT YOUR BACKGROUND. THIS IS NOT
16 WHAT YOU HAVE DONE ALL YOUR LIFE OR HAD ANY HISTORY OF DOING
17 THIS. YES, YOU'RE MAKING THESE BIG DECISIONS FOR PEOPLE OF
18 THIS CITY THAT MAY DESTROY THEIR LIVES. THAT'S ALL I'M ASKING
19 FOR YOU. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **ANDRES NOVA (VIA INTERPRETER):** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS
24 ANDREW NOVA. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAM
25 P.I.C. BECAUSE THEY HAVE SUPPORTED ME VERY LONG. THEY HAVE

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1 HELPED ME A LOT. THEY ALWAYS HELPED ME WITH ANY TIME I WOULD
2 CALL THEM, THEY WERE OPEN TO HELP ME. I'M VERY GRATEFUL WITH
3 ALL OF THEM. I WOULD LIKE THIS PROGRAM TO CONTINUE _____, SO
4 WE CAN CONTINUE SUPPORTING FAMILIES. MY SON WAS VERY
5 REBELLIOUS AND WAS IN A VERY BAD SITUATION, BUT THEY HELPED ME
6 ENCOURAGE HIM AND PUTTING HIM IN THE RIGHT PATH. I'M VERY
7 GRATEFUL WITH ALL THE GROUP BECAUSE THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY-
8 BASED AND FAITH SPIRITUAL-BASED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

9

10 **INTERPRETER:** IN REGARDS TO THE FAMILIES, I'M HERE TO REPRESENT
11 THE FAMILIES OF THE SPANISH-SPEAKING AND ALL THE FAMILIES THAT
12 WE SERVE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU, CHALLENGE YOU TO
13 JUST RECONSIDER, PUT YOURSELF IN OUR SHOES SO YOU CAN SEE WHAT
14 DIFFERENCE P.I.C. HAS MADE IN MANY OF THE FAMILIES IN THE
15 COMMUNITY, AS A CHURCH AND WITHOUT THE BELIEFS, THE SPIRITUAL
16 BELIEFS, WE NEED TO GO BACK TO THE BEGINNING.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MA'AM, BEFORE YOU SPEAK,
19 NORMA SCARBOROUGH, DEWAYNE WINROW, JUAN ORANTES, JAMES
20 WILLIAMS IF YOU'D JOIN US, PLEASE. AND ANTONIA RAMIREZ. OKAY.
21 GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

22

23 **JACELYN HALL-BUCKNOR:** HI, MY NAME IS JACELYN HALL- BUCKNOR AND
24 I WORK IN S.P.A. 6 AT EL CENTRO DEL PUEBLO, SOUTH L.A. I ALSO
25 HAPPEN TO LIVE IN THAT COMMUNITY. I'VE BEEN AT I.H.O.C. FOR AT

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1 LEAST THREE YEARS. AND THE AMOUNT OF SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE
2 TO OUR FAMILIES IS BEYOND MEASURE. WE PROVIDE PARENTING. WE
3 PROVIDE ANGER MANAGEMENT. WE PROVIDE ALL OF THESE SERVICES.
4 AND I JUST WANT YOU GUYS TO REALLY TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE
5 R.F.P. IT'S FLAWED. WE DIDN'T GET OUR FUNDING FOR THE FLAWS,
6 AND THE APPEALS PROCESS IS FLAWED. SO I'D JUST LIKE FOR YOU
7 GUYS TO PLEASE TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE REFUNDING PROCESS.
8 THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

11

12 **DEWAYNE WINROW:** MY NAME IS DR. WINROW. I AM THE SENIOR
13 MINISTER OF THE RESEDA BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST AND A
14 COMMUNITY LEADING REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NORTHEAST VALLEY. AND
15 I'M HERE SPEAKING IN CONCERT WITH COMMUNITY LEADERS WHO ARE
16 CONCERNED ABOUT THE PRESERVATION OF THE SAFETY NET OF SERVICE,
17 CHILDCARE SERVICES THAT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO US BY INCUMBENT
18 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE NORTHEAST PACOIMA BOYS AND
19 GIRLS CLUB, WHO HAVE EFFECTIVELY SERVED OUR COMMUNITY,
20 PROVIDED SAFETY NETS FOR OUR FAMILIES, THAT ARE NOW BEING
21 DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BY AN R.F.P., REDESIGNED PROGRAM, A
22 REDESIGNED R.F.P. BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
23 SERVICES THAT NEED TO BE RE-LOOKED AT, THAT DISCRIMINATES
24 AGAINST THESE ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE PROVEN SERVICES OR TRACK
25 RECORD OF EFFECTIVE DELIVERY OF THESE TYPE OF SERVICES THAT

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1 OUR FAMILIES SO WELL NEED. WE ALSO STAND AGAINST THE PROPOSAL
2 OF THE DEPARTMENT TO RE-ESTABLISH THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF
3 THESE TYPE OF CHILDREN RESULTING FROM THE REPLACEMENT OF--
4 PLACEMENT OF THESE KIDS IN INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS THE MCCLAREN
5 HOME THAT WAS CLOSED IN THE PAST.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME'S UP, SIR. NEXT,
8 PLEASE?

9

10 **NORMA SCARBOROUGH:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DR. NORMA
11 SCARBOROUGH. I'M A LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST. I
12 AM A COMMUNITY SERVANT. I HAVE WORKED IN THIS COMMUNITY FOR
13 OVER 25 YEARS SERVING THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE
14 HERE. I WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT RELATIONSHIPS MATTER. THAT WE
15 HAVE BUILT RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY. THEY
16 HAVE LEARNED TO TRUST US. THEY LEARNED TO TRUST US BECAUSE WE
17 LOVE THEM. THEY LOOK LIKE US. THEY ARE US. I GREW UP IN IN
18 COMMUNITY. SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW ME. I WENT TO MANUAL ARTS. I
19 WENT TO FOSHAY, I WENT TO L.A.C.C. SO THE PEOPLE THAT ARE
20 AROUND ME ARE PEOPLE THAT I LOVE. AND IF YOU DON'T HAVE PEOPLE
21 THAT COME TO OUR COMMUNITY TO WORK WITH OUR CHILDREN THAT
22 DON'T LOVE US, DON'T SEND THEM THERE BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT GOING
23 TO HELP. THEY'RE GOING TO DO MORE HARM. SO WE WANT TO REMIND
24 YOU THAT THE RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE'VE BUILT MATTER. THEY
25 MATTER THE PEOPLE. THEY MATTER TO US. THEY MATTER TO PEOPLE

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1 WHO WORK FOR THEM. AND WE WANT TO REMIND YOU NOT TO GIVE-- NOT
2 TO LET THAT CONSIDERATION LEAVE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. I'D ASK ANTONIA
5 RAMIREZ, OSCAR MOHAMMED, AND MELLO DESIRE. OKAY? YES, SIR.

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7 **JUAN ORANTES:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JUAN ORANTES,
8 I'M A RESIDENT FOR THE EAST LOS ANGELES AREA, S.P.A. 7. AND I
9 AM HERE TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW THAT PLAZA COMMUNITY SERVICES IS
10 A GREAT, GREAT AGENCY TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO FAMILIES. AND I
11 JUST ASK YOU GUYS TO PLEASE KEEP THE FUNDING TO THIS GREAT
12 AGENCY. THEY CAN STILL PROVIDE SERVICES TO FAMILIES AND
13 INDIVIDUALS, AS WELL. I AM ONE OF THOSE RECEIVING SERVICES
14 FROM THIS GREAT AGENCY, WHICH IS PLAZA COMMUNITY SERVICES. SO
15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN.
18 ANTONIA AND THEN OSCAR MOHAMMED AND MELLO DESIRE.

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20 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** DEPORT, DEPORT. WE HAVE AN EPIDEMIC OF
21 VICIOUS, MENTALLY-TWISTED LATINO HISPANIC GANG BANGERS AND
22 DEVIANT ILLEGAL FELONS. WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT THESE L.A.
23 SHERIFF'S OUTSTANDING DEPUTIES ARE TEACHING THESE JAIL GANG
24 BANGERS SOME MANNERS, MORALS, VALUES AND GOOD OLD-FASHIONED
25 AMERICAN CIVILITY. MOREOVER, WHAT WE SHOULD HAVE DONE WAS

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1 PURCHASE THOUSANDS OF LAND MINES AND IMPLANTED THESE GANG
2 BANGERS IN THEIR ASSES, AND VOILA, NO MORE GANG BANGERS OR
3 ILLEGAL WETBACKS OR SHUT DOWN EAST L.A. STOP FUNDING GANG
4 BANGERS AND FUND ALL OUR UNITED STATES MILITARY VETERANS AND
5 ALL OUR PILOTS. THAT INCLUDES OUR CHOPPER PILOTS. HOT MAMAS.
6 AND AGAIN WE ASK THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO BE FAIR.
7 ALLOW FULL FIRST AMENDMENT AND STOP CENSORING LAW-ABIDING
8 AMERICANS CITIZENS. IF WE DISSENT THAT IS OUR RIGHT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT CENSORING ANYONE HERE.

11

12 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MA'AM?

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16 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** SHUT DOWN EAST L.A.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

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20 **MELLO DESIRE:** OKAY, HOW DO I FOLLOW WITH THAT?

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MAY I SAY THESE ETHNICALLY CHARGED RACIAL
2 SLURS NEED TO JUST BE SHUT DOWN IN THE APPROPRIATE WAY.
3 EVERYONE KNOWS THAT IT'S JUST NOT ACCEPTABLE TO USE LANGUAGE
4 CALLING PEOPLE THINGS LIKE QUOTE/UNQUOTE "WETBACKS" AND ALL
5 THAT. I WANT TO DISASSOCIATE MYSELF FROM ALL OF THAT RHETORIC.
6 IT'S OUT OF BOUNDS. IT'S INAPPROPRIATE AND IT SHOULD NOT BE
7 TOLERATED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I TOTALLY AGREE. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT.
10 EXCUSE ME.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAD ASKED TO BAN HER BEFORE BECAUSE OF THE
13 WORDS SHE USES. AND SHE KEEPS COMING BACK. AND I THINK YOU'VE
14 GOT TO ELIMINATE HER.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

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18 **JOHN KRATTLI, COUNSEL:** IF I MIGHT BE--

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE, JOHN, WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN THAT WAY.

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24 **JOHN KRATTLI:** AS WE ALL RECOGNIZE, THIS IS A LIMITED PUBLIC
25 FORUM. CERTAINLY RACIALLY CHARGED REMARKS, WHILE DEPLORABLE,

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1 IN A QUASI PUBLIC FORUM OR A PUBLIC FORUM NO MATTER HOW
2 DISTASTEFUL SOME OF THESE REMARKS MAY BE, THEY ARE NONETHELESS
3 ENCOMPASSED WITHIN THE FIRST AMENDMENT. I WOULD CERTAINLY
4 ENCOURAGE ALL MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE TO RESPECT AND RECOGNIZE
5 THE VALUE THAT ALL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY BRING TO IT, BUT A
6 BAN OF COMMENTS SUCH AS THAT.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL HANDLE IT, MR. KRATTLI.
9 THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I DISAGREE WITH THAT. YOU KNOW,
12 THIS HAS BEEN ASKED BEFORE. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THEY'RE
13 ALLOWING THIS KIND OF TERMINOLOGY. AND IF HE CAN COME UP WITH
14 THE REASON AS TO WHY UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT THIS BOARD HAS TO
15 TOLERATE THIS KIND OF INFLAMMATORY LANGUAGE.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT'S INFLAMMATORY.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT. I
20 CAN UNDERSTAND YOUR FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS, I UNDERSTAND THAT,
21 BUT THIS IS A GOVERNMENT FORUM.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** QUIET, PLEASE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I NEED TO KNOW WHY SHE'S ENTITLED TO COME IN
2 HERE AND MAKE THOSE KIND OF DEROGATORY REMARKS.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOW, MR. CHAIR, SHE'S BEING DISRUPTIVE.
5 NOW, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE FIRST AMENDMENT, IF IT COVERS
6 DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR. HER SPEECH IS PROVOCATIVE. YOU CLAIM THAT
7 THAT'S COVERED. BUT THIS DISRUPTION AND CARRYING ON WHEN THE
8 MEMBER OF THE BOARD IS SPEAKING AND I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW,
9 MR. KRATTLI, THAT LANGUAGE IS NOT ONLY PROVOCATIVE BUT
10 POTENTIALLY PRECIPITOUS AND TO THAT EXTENT WE MAY HAVE A
11 PROBLEM THAT WE DON'T WISH TO FACE HERE. SO WE NEED TO BEHAVE
12 PRE-EMPTIVELY WITH RESPECT TO THIS OUT OF BOUNDS KIND OF
13 RHETORIC.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE DIRECTIONS THERE, MR.
16 KRATTLI? WE NEED YOU TO PREPARE IT. NEXT, MA'AM? IS OSCAR
17 MUHAMMAD HERE? GO AHEAD, MA'AM. MA'AM?

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19 **MELLO DESIRE:** HI, THE PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT CENTER THAT BEN
20 HARDWICK STARTED 55 YEARS AGO WAS A NEED THAT WAS NEEDED IN
21 THESE LOW INCOME PLACES, COMPTON, WATTS, EAST L.A., BOYLE
22 HEIGHTS, MACARTHUR PARK, INGLEWOOD, SOUTH CENTRAL, DOWNEY.
23 THESE ARE THE PLACES THAT I'VE BEEN SAYING FOR ALMOST A YEAR
24 THAT WE'RE DOING A PERFORMING ARTS RESOURCE FOR THEM AND
25 REHABILITATE AND REDUCE INCARCERATION. OVERALL WE REALLY NEED

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1 TO EVEN STOP TOUCHING OR EVEN ADDING TO THE HEARTACHE THAT
2 THESE ORGANIZATIONS ARE FACING BECAUSE THEY'RE THE ONLY ONES
3 THAT'S REALLY TRYING TO HELP THE COMMUNITY. WHEN WE IN THE
4 LONG RUN, WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE, YOU GUYS EAT WELL, YOU
5 SLEEP WELL, BUT OUR KIDS OUT IN THE STREETS, OUR ORGANIZATIONS
6 ARE SUFFERING BECAUSE THERE'S NO FUNDING ANYWHERE. AND SO WHEN
7 IS IT GOING TO STOP? BECAUSE WHEN IS PERSONALLY YOUR KID
8 INVOLVED? HOW FAST WOULD YOU FIND A SOLUTION? [APPLAUSE.] AND
9 SO NOW WE HAVE TO FIND OUT WHEN ARE WE GOING TO STOP
10 CONTINUING COMING HERE AND WASTING OUR TIME TALKING AND
11 LETTING YOU KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM IS WHEN YOU ALREADY KNOW
12 WHAT THE PROBLEM IS. JUST PUT THE MONEY WHERE YOUR MOUTH IS SO
13 WE CAN STOP LETTING OUR KIDS SUFFER.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DAVID JACKSON, ERIC PREVEN,
16 DANITA HENDERSON.

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18 **ERIC PREVEN:** THIS IS ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
19 DISTRICT 3 AND IT'S REALLY POWERFUL TO HAVE A ROOM FULL OF
20 PEOPLE ADVOCATING FOR THEIR COMMUNITIES AND I SUPPORT THAT 100
21 PERCENT. I DON'T UNFORTUNATELY UNDERSTAND THE ISSUE 100
22 PERCENT BECAUSE IT IS NOT AGENDIZED. I HAD A LITTLE BIT OF
23 LITERATURE THAT WAS HANDED OUT BY THE GROUP, BUT IF MARK
24 RIDLEY-THOMAS'S OFFICE COULD PROVIDE THE ISSUE, SO IT'S CLEAR.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE THING WILL BE ON THE AGENDA COMING
2 UP IN A YEAR.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SIR. ITEM 12 TODAY WAS DELAYED. AND WE
5 DO NEED A VIN SCULLY DOWN HERE, AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
6 INTIMATED LAST WEEK, OR A COUPLE WEEKS AGO. ITEM 12 WAS SOME
7 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. AND THE REASON WHY IT WAS
8 CONTENTIOUS IS BECAUSE OF THE DIFFERENT DISTRICT OFFICES WERE
9 GETTING THEIRS AND ONE GETTING THE OTHER, ONE GETTING THIS AND
10 THAT. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY GOT A \$10 MILLION JOHN ANSON FORD
11 DELIVERY. BUT UNFORTUNATELY THAT MONEY WAS ONE IN A SERIES OF
12 DELIVERIES OF MONEY. AND LAURA ZUCKER, WHO IS THE HEAD OF THE
13 ARTS COMMISSION, HAS AGREED TO POST THE PLAN, THE MASTER PLAN
14 FOR THE JOHN ANSON FORD REDO THAT'S COMING UP DOWN THE ROAD.
15 AND THEN WE'LL ALL GET A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT BEFORE NEXT
16 WEEK. I APPRECIATE THAT AND LOOK FORWARD TO SCRUTINIZING THE
17 WAY WE WOULD IN ANY COMMUNITY, LIKE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S OR
18 MAYOR ANTONOVICH'S OR GLORIA MOLINA'S OR OR YOURS, SIR. LIKE
19 WITH COUNTY GOLF.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. HA! YES, MA'AM.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I'M HERE REGARDING D.C.F.S. AND THE R.F.P. PROCESS,
24 ALTHOUGH THE AGENCY I'M WITH GOT FUNDED. YOU ASKED ABOUT FLAWS
25 IN THE PROCESS AND WHY WE'RE HERE. FLAWS. WHEN YOU PUT OUT AN

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1 R.F.P. AND YOU GIVE HIGHER SCORES FOR PEOPLE WHO BID THE
2 LOWEST AND END UP AS A RESULT CLOSING 8 TO 11 AGENCIES IN
3 S.P.A. 6 ALONE BECAUSE LOWER BIDDERS GOT BIDDERS -- OR WERE
4 GIVEN HIGHER POINTS AND YET THE PAY STRUCTURE IS GOING TO BE
5 THE SAME NO MATTER WHO GETS FUNDED. THAT'S A FLAW IN THE
6 PROCESS. WHEN YOU HAVE HAD AGENCIES THAT HAVE DONE THIS JOB
7 FOR 20 YEARS AND ARE BEING ELIMINATED, ESPECIALLY IN S.P.A. 6
8 WITH 8 TO 10 AGENCIES CLOSING AND A NEW AGENCY CAN COME UP
9 THAT'S NEVER DONE THIS JOB AND GET FUNDED FOR FIVE SITES
10 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WITH NO STARTUP MONEY, THERE'S A PROBLEM
11 IN THE PROCESS. WHEN THERE'S NO TRANSITION PLAN THAT D.C.F.S.
12 HAS IN PLACE THAT'S GOING TO HANDLE ALL THESE FAMILIES WHEN
13 D.C.F.S. IS DETAINING HIGHER THAN EVER BEFORE SINCE FAMILY
14 PRAYERS HAS ENROLLED-- HAS STARTED. THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH
15 THE PROCESS. PAY ATTENTION, PEOPLE.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK THIS IS THE LAST SPEAKER ON THE
18 ISSUE. WE ARE PAYING ATTENTION TO THE PROCESS. THE PROCESS IS
19 IN PROCESS. AND THE APPEAL PROCESS IS WORKING ITS WAY THROUGH,
20 AS WELL. SO WE WILL BE DEALING WITH THE ISSUE AT SUCH TIME
21 WHEN IT COMES BACK BEFORE US AS AN AGENDA ITEM. AND WE WILL
22 DEAL WITH IT AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. BUT WE NEED TO LESS THE
23 PROCESS WORK THROUGH ITSELF AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT. DAVID
24 JACKSON, ARNOLD SACHS, TERESIJA SIGMUND. ARE YOU HERE? IS

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1 DAVID HERE? ARNOLD SACHS HERE? TERESIJA SIGMUND? DAVID

2 SERRANO. GO AHEAD, TERRY.

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4 **TERESIJA SIGMUND:** I HOPE YOU PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE COME BACK

5 EVERY WEEK BECAUSE ONLY IN BIG NUMBERS ARE YOU GOING TO

6 ACHIEVE YOUR GOAL. I COME HERE EVERY WEEK TRYING TO HAVE

7 ESTABLISHED MY CHILDREN'S AND OUR RELIGIOUS RIGHTS THAT ARE

8 BEING VIOLATED. SO THESE PEOPLE CAN'T CARE LESS ABOUT

9 RELIGION. MY CHILDREN AT THIS POINT HAVE BECOME ALMOST

10 INCESTUAL, HAVING A LOT OF SEXUAL THINGS. WE ALL KNOW, PEOPLE

11 OF FAITH KNOW WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU TAKE FAITH OUT OF THE

12 EQUATION. THAT IS DEADLIER THAN ANYTHING BECAUSE IT IS ETERNAL

13 DEATH WITH KEEPING FAITH OUT OF PEOPLE'S LIVES, ESPECIALLY

14 SMALL CHILDREN'S. I CAN ONLY IMAGINE WHAT IT'S LIKE BECAUSE IN

15 THE D.C.F.S. WHEN YOU GO TO COURT, THEY'RE ALL MELANIN-

16 ENRICHED PEOPLE, THEY'RE ALL BROWN. THE REAL YOU IS THIS VAST

17 RACISM THAT NEEDS TO BE FOUGHT. HOW COME RICH PEOPLE'S KIDS,

18 PEOPLE LOOKING WITH MY COMPLEXION ARE BARELY SEEN AT THE

19 D.C.F.S., IF ANY. AND EVERYONE THAT'S THERE AT THE COURT IS

20 BROWN. THAT'S THE TRUE ROOT OF WHAT'S WRONG HERE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. A

25 COUPLE THINGS. YOU MAKE SOME SMART SWARMY COMMENTS,

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1 SUPERVISOR. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAPPEN TO BE LISTENING WHEN
2 MR. DELGADO WAS TESTIFYING DURING THE ITEM THAT WAS ON THE
3 AGENDA REGARDING VITAL RECORDS BUT HE MENTIONED BIRTH
4 CERTIFICATES AT THE REGISTRAR RECORDER'S WHICH I MENTIONED.
5 AND HE MENTIONED STATE LAW, WHICH I MENTIONED. THE ONLY THING
6 HE DIDN'T MENTION WAS THE FACT THAT YOU'RE LYING, STEALING AND
7 CHEATING WHEN YOU'RE METRO BOARD CREATING YOUR OWN AGENCIES.
8 NOW, IF YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT WHAT THE PUBLIC HAS TO SAY AND
9 WHAT YOU WANT TO HEAR, WHEN WE HAVE TO LISTEN TO THOSE KINDS
10 OF LIES, PEOPLE IN THIS AUDIENCE ARE TALKING ABOUT RECOGNIZING
11 THE PROBLEM. THE PROBLEM IS THE FIVE OF YOU. THE SHERIFF
12 RETIRED AND PART OF THE REASON HE GAVE WAS HE WAS PART OF THE
13 OLD SCHOOL. HE'S BEEN AROUND LESS TIME THAN YOU HAVE. AND
14 THESE PROBLEMS STILL MULTIPLY AND MULTIPLY. YOU'RE LOOKING AT
15 AN AGENDA ITEM TO DO THIS. TWO OF YOU WILL BE LEAVING IN THREE
16 MONTHS. THANK GOD. [LAUGHTER.]

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT.

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20 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY
21 SPIRIT. THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE GOD, AMEN. HALLELUJAH.
22 INFINITE JESUS TEACHES HUMANITY, THE LOVE OF GOD, OUR HEAVENLY
23 FATHER, THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE. AND HUMANITY
24 NEEDS TO LEARN FROM OUR HEAVENLY FATHER. SERIOUSLY, THE ONLY
25 THING THAT THE SECULARISTS, THE ATHEISTS AND THE ANTICHRISTS

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1 KNOW HOW TO DO IS BETRAY GOD AND THE U.S. A. I TRULY PITY
2 THEM. I WILL PRAY FOR THEM. THE U.S.A. IS A CHRISTIAN NATION.
3 GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND YOU HAVE A NICE
4 DAY.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I BELIEVE THAT WAS PUBLIC
7 COMMENT IF YOU WOULD READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE.

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9 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
10 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
11 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. C.S.-1, PUBLIC
12 EMPLOYMENT, INTERVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES TO SERVE
13 THE POSITION OF SHERIFF UPON ITS VACANCY, AND ITEM NO. C.S.-2,
14 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AS INDICATED ON THE
15 POSTED AGENDA.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JANUARY 28, 2014**

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5 CS-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)

6 Interview and consideration of candidates for appointment to
7 serve in the position of Sheriff upon its vacancy. (14-0281)

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9 The Board appointed John Scott to the position of Sheriff,
10 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Charter section 16,
11 effective Thursday, January 30, 2014.

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13 The appointment was duly carried by the following vote:

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15 Ayes: Supervisor Molina, Supervisor Yaroslavsky, Supervisor
16 Knabe and Supervisor Antonovich.

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18 Abstention: Supervisor Ridley-Thomas

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20 There was no reportable action taken on item CS-2.

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13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 4th
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